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WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—After three weeks wasted in useless debate, causing a delay in the public business which will seriously affect the country, the Senate has finally agreed to a resolution to appoint a Committee to investigate the alleged sale of arms to French agents. The most telling speech yet made was that of Mr. CARPENTER today. It was for the most part an examination of the laws of nations binding upon neutrals, and in respect to argument and eloquence and oratorical power, it was one of the ablest made in the Senate during this debate, or during the present session. He brought the legal aspect of the question to the front, leaving the jingle of charges and counter-charges, insinuations and innuendoes in the distant background. The question of facts he regarded as settled. Mr. SUMNER, yesterday, having spoken of the maxim, "My country, right or wrong," as an old heathen cry, Mr. CARPENTER very neatly turned the point he made upon it by showing that it originated with Commodore DECATUR. In allusion to SCHURZ's repeated comparison of his course and SUMNER's with that of COBDEN and BRIGHT, Senator CARPENTER thought there was a very great difference between those English statesmen standing in their places in Parliament and trying to prevent their Government from doing wrong, and SCHURZ and SUMNER, coming in after the wrong had been done, if there had been any, and trying to put evidence on record against our country. He took the ground that, the sale of arms and ammunition having been a customary act with our Government, for many years, both in peace and war, there was no obligation resting upon us to suspend or modify that custom during the Franco-Prussian war. Neutrality was of degree, and perfect neutrality according to even the most advanced writers, was not yet a law of nations. If all the facts alleged were true, still there was no breach of neutrality by our Government, and no stain to our national honor. Mr. CARPENTER sustained this position by quotations of standard authorities, displaying a profound knowledge of the international code, and showing the results of thorough and painstaking research, and the great store of material which he had collected was well collated. In closing, he alluded briefly to the political aspects of the question presented. Mr. SCHURZ conceived that this part of the discussion was aimed at himself, and attempted to bully CARPENTER by demanding whether he meant to make certain charges. He received a courteous but stinging rebuke, which prevented any further display of insolence till CARPENTER had concluded, but which threw SCHURZ into a fit of passion, for he called CARPENTER's speech a trick, said it would not do, and then repeated his story about frauds in the New-York Custom-house, and hoarsely stating after CARPENTER had been compelled by the pain in his sprained ankle to leave the Chamber, that he was not afraid of him. Mr. COBURN then made a brief speech upon a substitute which he offered, declaring that the debate had disproved all the charges that had been made. The substitute, at the request of Mr. CONKLING, he withdrew, as it would embarrass those Senators who desired the investigation to go on. There followed a brief colloquy between FRELINGHUYSEN and SUMNER, and short speeches by MORTON and CAMERON, and then the vote was taken upon the resolution of Mr. SUMNER as it was amended some days ago, and it was adopted by 49 to 5. The resolution having been thus adopted, Mr. HAMLIN moved to lay the preamble on the table, which bothered Mr. SUMNER and Mr. THURMAN, as both wanted to talk on the preamble. After some discussion Mr. SUMNER succeeded, after several interruptions with points of order, in delivering the speech upon the preamble itself, and endeavored to show that its allegations, except in respect to the charges based on the discrepancies in accounts and of selling to known agents had been sustained. When Mr. SUMNER closed, Mr. EDMUNDS took the floor and reviewed the preamble with much sharpness, giving SUMNER and SCHURZ some severe thrusts, and finally the preamble was laid on the table by 40 to 1, Mr. EDMUNDS alone voting in the negative, while Mr. SUMNER voted to kill his own baptising.

SENATOR SUMNER ILL.

Mr. SUMNER was last night attacked by the same complaint that prostrated him last Winter, and his friends regarded his attendance at the Senate today, and his participation in the exciting debate with much alarm, lest a further attack should be induced, attended with more serious results. It would seem, therefore, a most fortunate thing that the unseemly political strife is at an end.

THE HOUSE.

For the first time in a year, the House spent the whole day on the unfinished business of yesterday, and even then did not conclude it. A remarkable change of sentiment occurred over night on the St. Croix and Bayfield Railroad bill. First, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the previous question was ordered yesterday, was carried by a vote of 108 to 41. This allowed the opponents and friends of the bill an hour each for discussion, and a warm debate ensued. A motion to lay the bill on the table then failed by two votes. Subsequently the same motion failed by five votes. The motion to refer to the Committee on Public Lands with Mr. HOLMAN's instructions, was then carried by nearly thirty majority, showing a reversal of about sixty votes. Since the House adjourned last night the majority of the Public Lands Committee is understood to favor the measure, but the instructions given it enlarge the bill with the rights of other roads, and probably defeat it for this Congress. The House adjourned on a motion to reconsider this resolution, and it will come up again to-morrow.

THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House spent the morning considering the plan of appropriating the Chinese indemnity fund to establish an American college in China. W. F. Poole, formerly of Chicago, presented testimonials from the Presidents of Yale College, Williams College, Harvard University, Brown University, Trinity College, Union College, the Northwestern University, and several other colleges and scientific associations. Also letters from Americans in China, and especially one of recent date, from E. F. Low, United States Minister at Pekin, all strongly recommending this measure. Mr. JOHNS was listened to attentively for more than an hour. He argued the obligations of the United States to provide suitable interpreters for our Consular Courts in China, and maintained that nearly all the political and commercial difficulties between the two countries grew out of the inability of foreignerts to communicate with the Chinese. It is a remarkable fact that all of the American trade with China is carried on through that most barbarous of all barbarous mongrel languages—pigeon English. American merchants remain in the country twenty or thirty years without acquiring the language, and never speak with the real merchants and literati of China, except through one of these Pigeon-English interpreters. The practicability of the measure was argued from the constitution of the Chinese Government, the civil service of which is based upon educational qualifications. One of the greatest defects in the Chinese system is the absence of scientific studies in their course of instruction. This the American College would help to supply, as illustrated by the wonderful success of the Japanese Government College, with its American President, and fifteen assistants, nearly all Americans, and with 1,200 Japanese youth as pupils, who are being educated not for interpreterships only, but for teachers in the public schools, which are being remodeled, and which the Mikado decrees, must be attended by all children over a certain age. Evidence was given of the great desire of the Reform party in China to have their youths study foreign arts and sciences. A good deal of interest in this proposition has been awakened within a few days past, and the Japanese Minister has expressed a desire to have the Japanese indemnity appropriated to a similar College in Japan.

RAILROAD AFFAIRS.

Railroad matters substantially monopolized the House today, both on the floor and in the Committee-rooms. Beside the severe struggle on the Bayfield Railroad bill in the House, there was a very notable hearing before the Committee on the District of Columbia, where two of the most prominent railroad kings of the country, SCOTT, of the Pennsylvania Central, and GARRETT, of the Baltimore and Ohio, met face to face. The proposition under consideration was an application from SCOTT's new Washington Road, the Baltimore and Potomac, to occupy a portion of a public reservation between Sixth and Seventh streets, near Pennsylvania avenue, for a depot. This would bring their terminus right into the heart of the City, within a square of two of the principal hotels, and half way between the Capitol and the Treasury building. Of course GARRETT opposes this, for it would place him at such a disadvantage that he would have to move his present depot to a more eligible spot. Both men cut sharp at each other, GARRETT being the abler talker, but SCOTT the shrewdest manipulator. He cut GARRETT when he said that he had spent twenty years of time and five millions of money to get a new railroad into Washington, and he didn't think GARRETT ought to begrudge a depot.

THE EX-GOVERNOR OF WISCONSIN.

Ex-Gov. FAIRCHILD, of Wisconsin, arrived here yesterday, and will remain a few days on business. He says that the people of Wisconsin pay very little attention to the angry debate in the Senate, that the Republicans are loyal to party, and that they are a unit for GRANT. In no State is SCHURZ's course better understood or more accurately appreciated than in Wisconsin, where he made his political debut in this country.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE NATIONAL CURRENCY.

The following is the United States currency outstanding:

Old demand notes	$91,101 25
Legal-tender notes, new issue	142,329,613 00
Legal-tender notes, series of 1869	216,195,427 00
Compound interest notes	839,187 00
Two-year notes of 1861	37,755 50
Two-year coupon notes of 1862	21,952 50
Compound interest notes	675,890 00
Fractional currency, first issue	4,397,763 48
Fractional currency, second issue	3,190,670 15
Fractional currency, third issue	4,419,576 85
Fractional currency, fourth issue, first series	18,675,345 97
Fractional currency, fourth issue, second series	10,512,540 2[illegible]
Total	$408,397,773 48

REDEEMING MUTILATED CURRENCY.

In response to a letter from an officer of a railroad in New-York complaining of the delay the company is subjected in the redemption of mutilated currency through the Assistant Treasurer at New-York, the Secretary of the Treasury states that money received from private individuals, or generally not presented and redeemed before that, received through Assistant Treasurers, and this fact is the cause of the delay complained of. The Secretary suggests that as the Government pays the express charges on packages sent through Adams Express Company, the railroad company can send their money directly through that channel to the Treasury, or if the amount is sufficient to warrant it they will be allowed to deposit United States registered bonds with the United States Treasurer at Washington equal to the amount of currency likely to be at any time in transit, and the Assistant Treasurer at New-York would then be notified of the fact, and directed to redeem upon presentation of packages of mutilated currency, subject to the count of the Treasury officials, and then in case of errors in the packages the Government would be in a situation to indemnify itself for any possible loss. This practice, if adopted, will of course be general in its application.

THE JAPANESE EMBASSY.

Reception in Washington—A Quiet Day of Rest at Their Hotel.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—The Japanese Embassy reached Washington on a special train from Baltimore, shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon. They were met at the depot by M. MORI, Japanese Chargé d'Affaires in this city, accompanied by Gov. COOKE, Gen. CHIPMAN, and Gen. MYERS, U. S. A., who has been detailed by the Department to take charge of the Embassy during the time they remain here. The meeting between M. MORI and his countrymen was intensely cordial, and after brief salutations, Gov. COOKE was introduced, and, in a very brief speech, welcomed the distinguished gentlemen to the capital of the United States, after which he introduced Gen. MYERS, who, he told them, would have them in charge. Gen. CHIPMAN was also introduced. Mr. IWAKURA replied also very briefly, returning thanks for the cordial welcome, and without further ceremony, the entire party entered the carriages in waiting and were driven to their hotel.

Today there will be no official reception or ceremonies of any kind, excepting the brief ones above mentioned. The members of the Embassy express themselves as very tired after their long journey, and need rest. The ladies of the party were taken to Georgetown, to the residence of Mr. LANMAN, the Secretary of the Japanese Legation, in whose charge their comforts have been placed. The gentlemen of the Embassy will occupy about fifty rooms of the Arlington Hotel, including the entire adjacent portion of the building known as the Johnson House, and two entire buildings on the opposite side of Vermont-avenue. Their general reception room in the Johnson House is decorated with American and Japanese flags, and upon their entrance to this room the members of the Embassy seemed thoroughly pleased at beholding upon a table in the centre of the apartment a fragrant basket of flowers, a compliment from Mrs. GRANT to Mr. IWAKURA, the Ambassador Extraordinary, the central flower of the round being a large Japanese lily. The houses occupied by the distinguished visitors are handsomely furnished up for them, and arranged into suites and parlors, while special servants have been detailed to wait on them during their stay in this city. Upon the door of each sleeping-chamber set apart for the use of the Embassy is the name, inscribed in Japanese characters, of the member of the party who is to be the occupant. A large number of private dining and reception rooms are also features of the accommodations provided for the party, but these, if there were no unusually incidents connected with their arrival, and the ceremonies of receiving and escorting them to their hotel, seemed to meet with general approbation by the visitors.

During the evening the Japanese were visited by Mr. Short, and Charge d'Affaires, and several members of his establishment called, also, by Mr. CORBADA, a student of law in this city. Arrangements have been made for them to attend the Metropolitan Methodist Church on Sunday, when it is deemed that, after the regular service, Mr. CORBADA will address them in the Japanese tongue, and afterward in English, upon the subject of the judicial and financial system of this country, and also upon the subject of the Christian religion, and will contrast the doctrines of CONFUCIUS with the revelations of the Bible. He is a regular attendant, if not a member of that Church, and will explain to his countrymen the principal points of difference between the religious belief of Christian nations and the Buddhist worship of Asiatic countries.

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BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The Kansas Legislature will probably adjourn on Saturday.

The National Poultry Show at St. Louis closed last night.

About five inches of snow fell at St. Louis, Mo., on Wednesday night.

The bill providing for the registration of bonds has passed the Kansas Senate.

Hon. W. W. HOLDEN has severed his connection with the Washington *Chronicle*.

FREDERICK SALTER was killed by the Utica express train in Cothran, yesterday.

Twenty-eight Indians were poisoned to death recently near Eureka, Nevada.

Midshipman NATHAN SARGENT has been ordered to the *Canandaigua*.

JENNIE JOHNSON, who was stabbed by NELLIE SMITH, in St. Louis, died yesterday.

The St. Louis Gas Company has reduced the price of gas from $4 to $3 75 per 1,000 feet.

A new Democratic daily, called the *News*, is announced to appear in Chicago.

The weather in Utah is cool and clear. The mines are opening work.

The steam-ship *Mosel Taylor*, with the mails from Australia, has arrived in San Francisco.

BROWN BROTHERS' cabinet factory in Union, Me., was burned on Wednesday night. Loss, $5,000; no insurance.

Applications have been received from over 150 societies to participate in the International Festival chorus, in Boston.

Hon. DANIEL VOORHEES is to commence speaking in New-Hampshire for the Democrats on Wednesday next.

It is now learned that five persons were killed and thirty injured by the falling of stands in London on Thanksgiving day.

The Senate New-York Custom-house Committee will recommence its sessions next Monday in Washington.

A delegation from Pittsburg is in Washington urging the erection of new Government buildings in that city.

The President has recognized HENRY BURNS as Vice-Consul of Sweden and Norway at Galveston, Texas.

The Trinity College corporation voted, yesterday, not to sell the College site for State-house grounds for $350,000.

The first rail of the Western, Elizabethtown and Paducah Railroad was laid at Paducah on Tuesday.

JOSIAH WARD was acquitted, yesterday, at Camden, N. J., on his third trial for the murder of JOHN WADEY.

The extension of the fortifications of Metz and Strasbourg has been decreed by the German Government.

Texan stock-raisers are about to memorialize Congress for protection against Mexican armed raiders.

DENNIS CALLAGHAN, a mason, was killed yesterday by the fall of a staging in Providence, R. I.

Commencement at the Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, took place last night. There were seventy graduates.

Lieut. B. L. EDES and Master E. C. PENDLETON have been detached from the South Atlantic fleet and wait orders.

The Harrisburg *State Journal* thinks the Democrats of Pennsylvania will nominate Hon. CHARLES R. BUCKALEW for Governor.

In an ice-boat race, at Hudson, N. Y., yesterday, for $100, the *Breadnaught*, of Athens, was beaten by the *Clara*, of Hudson.

The Denver stockholders of the Denver Pacific Railroad have transferred their entire interest to the Kansas Pacific Company.

The Schuylkill Navigation Company's shops, near Schuylkill Haven, Penn., were burned yesterday.

GEORGE W. CARR & Co.'s umbrella and parasol frame factory, in Philadelphia, was burned last night. Loss, $18,000; fully insured.

The bequest of the late Judge JOSEPH P. ALLYN, for a work of art on the Hartford Park, is to be appropriated for a statue of Gen. ISRAEL PUTNAM.

The room of THOS. W. HEFFERMAN, on Central-avenue, Cincinnati, was entered early last evening and robbed of $1,400 in bonds and money.

Two of the school-ship boys at Boston, on Wednesday, named OTTLEY and SULLIVAN, quarreled, and OTTLEY, with a sheath knife, wounded SULLIVAN dangerously.

The ladies' building connected with the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield was buried yesterday. Loss, $15,000; insurance, $10,000.

Rev. Dr. ELLIOT, pastor of the Unitarian Church of the Messiah, in St. Louis, who has lately formally installed Chancellor of the Washington University.

A bill has passed both Houses in South Carolina repealing the act creating what is known as the Stirling Funded Debt of South Carolina.

The South Carolina Legislature proposes an amendment to the Constitution forbidding further increase of the State debt without due consideration and the consent of the people.

It is announced by authority that Gen. GEORGE W. CASS will accept the Democratic nomination for Governor of Pennsylvania, if it is tendered him.

Later accounts from Hon. SAMUEL GALLOWAY report him better, and that the condition of his health is not so precarious as at first intimated.

The fifty-first Legislature of Maine adjourned *sine die* last night after a session of eight weeks. The acts and resolutions passed were 197.

The special election for Assemblyman, in Broome County, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. ELY, will take place on Tuesday next.

A delegation from the Municipal Council of Metz has arrived in Paris, en route to Versailles, to testify against Marshal BAZAINE for the surrender of that fortress. They will be heard March 5.

The Republican State Central Committee of Tennessee is to meet in Nashville on Wednesday next, to fix the time and place for the State Convention.

Last week, near San Rafael, Cal., a Mexican, a Lower Californian, and two Spaniards, were murdered by Indians, who were captured and shot at the Old Mission.

A party of Indians got liquor in San Diego, Cal. In the fight that ensued one VALENZUELA and several Indians were killed. The murderers took to the mountains.

Gov. BROWN yesterday asked permission of the Missouri Senate to withdraw his veto to the bill increasing the capital of savings banks to $5,000,000, which was granted.

The upper stories of the building Nos. 144 and 146 Canal-street, New-Orleans, were destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The loss is estimated at $100,000.

The New-York Board of Brokers are seeking to obtain reversal of the decision classifying all persons engaged in the business of negotiating pure loans as sale of stocks as "bankers."

BENJAMIN T. JOHNSON, a faithful operator in the Western Union Telegraph office in Baltimore and one of the best in the country, died on Wednesday night at consumption.

SPENCER BAIR recovered one cent damages from the St. Louis *Morning Dispatch*, for the enthusiasm of a police item which he thought was libelous.

LEVI SMITH, aged seventy-nine, a much respected citizen of Granby, Mass., was crushed to death by a falling tree on Wednesday afternoon.

The Methodist Episcopal preachers of New-Jersey complain that while the Railroad Company promised to reduce the fare there has been no reduction from some points.

Some of the Democratic journals of this State are, after their manner, condemning Gov. HOFFMAN for appointing a Republican as Health Officer of this Port.

An arrival from Montevideo, at London, reports that the Ex-President of the Republic of Liberia, who was imprisoned for malpractice, has escaped from custody.

The resignation of CHARLES HALE as Senator for the Third Suffolk District, Boston, was accepted on Monday, and the 11th day of March is assigned for a special election to fill his vacancy.

The Virginia Legislature has voted to continue in session thirty days longer, and the Richmond *Enquirer*, which believes that the first duty of a Virginia Legislature is to adjourn, has gone.

The Ontario Government measure granting $1,250,000 in aid of the railways now in process of construction in that province was passed to a third reading in the Ontario Parliament on Wednesday night.

The Louisiana Democratic State Central Committee has called a State Convention on Thursday, April 18, to consider the political condition of the State; to determine the future policy of the Democratic Party, with reference to the elections in November next, and to take such action and adopt such measures as may be deemed advisable.

Merchants from New-York, Philadelphia and Baltimore were before the Senate Finance Committee yesterday to ascertain the probable action on the tea and coffee duties, so as to be able to pass their business accordingly.

Minister DE LONG and CHARLES WOLCOTT BROOKS, the Japanese Commissioner-Envoy-cuse, will accompany the Commissioners to Europe, and will be presented to the President Monday next, and remain in Washington about a month.

WM. A. HITCHCOCK, a young man of South Williamsburg, Mass., was found dead by the roadside, about two miles from Springfield, yesterday. A pocket full of love-letters and sentimental poetry, and a bottle of strychnine, discovered the cause of his death.

In the case of the ferry-boat *Brunswick*, of the Astoria Ferry, New-York, libelled for carrying passengers after a notice from the United States Inspectors forbidding it, the Secretary of the Treasury has refused to grant any relief, preferring that it should be settled in the Courts.

FRANK A. HAYDEN, a salesman in Summer-street, Boston, and Dr. Foster, a customer in Harvard-place, are under arrest, the former for robbing his employers and the latter for making up the stolen goods. Two thousand dollars worth was recovered.

A fire at Cortland Station, on the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad, on Monday night, destroyed two stores and damaged the third. Three thousand dollars in currency was also burned. The loss is estimated at $20,000; insured in Memphis companies for $15,000.

The Barnstable (Mass.) *Patriot* has discovered that the Democratic Party in its neighborhood has dwindled to such small dimensions that it is worse than folly to attempt to keep up a Democratic paper. The *Patriot* will therefore hereafter be independent.

The Senate of Kansas amended the House resolution directing a copy of the testimony taken in the bribery investigation to be sent to the United States Senate, so as to "impeach the President by striking out "sending to the Vice-President." The House snappishly refused to concur, and directed its Speaker to send the copies.

The Richmond *Dispatch* is in despair, and frankly expresses the opinion that the "party that could nominate SEYMOUR and BLAIR in 1868, when it might have nominated CHASE, or PENDLETON, or HENDRICKS, or HANCOCK, and KWING, will hardly have the good judgment to nominate an available man in 1872."

Four names are mentioned for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Tennessee. They are Gen. JOHN C. BROWN, the present incumbent, ANDREW JOHNSON, Gen. W. B. BATE, and Gen. WILLIAM A. QUARLES. One paper in the State says that A. J. is urged to run as a People's candidate.

The French Legation has transmitted to the Department of State four medals designed for Capt. Paymoyer, of the ship *Thatcher Magoun*, of Boston, and to DAVID HOSKINS, mate, JOHN BAWLES and WILLIAM ALMANSON, sailors, of the same vessel, in recognition of their courtesy in rescuing the crew of the French brig *Le Grand Frederic*, in February, 1870.

AMUSEMENTS.

Brooklyn.

THE FRENCH PLAYS.

A Thursday representation of French plays is henceforward to be counted among the entertainments of each week. Robinson Hall, in Sixteenth-street, was again filled, last evening, and MM. JUMERET and BRUSSEAU and Miles. CAVE and TAILLEFER once more appeared in a performance which, if not perfect, was enriched by excellences not to be found elsewhere. The piece acted was called "Le Meurtrier de Théodore." It has been done into English under the title of "Who Killed Cock Robin?" But the pirated version presents the comedy as a burlesque. In the original text, the story of "Le Meurtrier de Théodore" is handled to better purpose, and led to a felicitous climax through three well-constructed acts. The plot can be briefly unfolded as follows: *Marguerite*, the fiery daughter of *Montravert*, is betrothed to *Théodore*, a worthless *roué*. *Théodore*, daunted at the prospect of matrimony, persuades his friend *Chamillion* to announce to *Marguerite* that her intended husband has been killed in a duel. *Marguerite* places faith in the assurances of *Chamillion*, and soon afterward becomes satisfied that the man who brings her the news is *Théodore's* murderer. She at once decides upon marrying *Chamillion* to avenge her suitor's death. On the day of the wedding, *Chamillion's* troubles begin. What BALZAC named the petty miseries of life overwhelm him, and would probably attain the fatal result desired by *Marguerite* but for the timely discovery that *Théodore* still lives. The exponent of that personage who, like Mrs. Harris, is ever referred to but never seen, precedes a general reconciliation. The numerous diverting incidents which the fancy and skill of LAWRENCE TURNOUT have crystallized about this tale may be imagined. The scene in which *Chamillion's* confusion in rendering *Théodore* the service asked of him causes him to be taken for his friend's assassin; that in which the bridegroom's martyrdom is so comically pictured, and that in which humanity unites the divided couple must be mentioned as particularly happy specimens of the dramatist's fertility of ideas and exceptional *esprit-force*. All the points of the work were made highly effective by the acting, though a little more crispness in the recital would have bettered the impression at one or two stages of the rehearsal. M. JUMERET personated *Chamillion* with his wonted conscientiousness and enduring spirit, and M. BRUSSEAU embodied most successfully the preposterously stupid parent. Mlle. ANNA CAVE, who often delivers her lines with faultless taste and much charm, and sometimes sh

FRANCE.

The Season of Carnival—How Mardi Gras Passed Off—Past and Present—Night Sketches in the Streets—The Death of M. Conti.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Wednesday, Feb. 14, 1872.

I deferred writing by Monday's post in order to speak of *Mardi Gras* and the carnival. [illegible] the Exhibition for all the good it has done me. I can quite believe the fervent ejaculation of a Parisian friend, that Paris has not seen a duller day for more than twenty years. And yet the weather left nothing to be desired. It was a bright and beautiful day, and warm enough for early May, while the streets were unusually dry and free from dirt. Immediately after breakfast everybody went out to see the "masks and mummers" and the Boulevards were as crowded as on New-Year's Day by a large crowd of expectant but disappointed people. A few very young children appeared in costume, girls of four and five as milkmaids and boys as troubadours; but the few none of the old masters, nor any of the old and well-known masks which used to troop up and down the boulevards, and indulge in countless tricks for the amusement of the spectators. After waiting about for several hours, one solitary Pierrot in some sort of ancient uniform, did come in sight and descended *chez le marchand de vin*. He was never seen to come out, his horse was led away, and after a time the gaping crowd awaiting his departure was informed that the cavalier—the solitary horseman of *Mardi Gras*, was intoxicated and fallen under the table. Crossing the river by the Pont Neuf, I found the Quartier Latin half deserted, and for more than an hour failed to see a single mask. Here, as elsewhere, the people were waiting and watching, generally seated before the cafés, all looking bored to death, but still unwilling to miss the sights. It was publicly announced that there would be no procession of the *bœuf gras*, but there were a certain number of maskers sure to come, for they had appeared year after year from time out of mind. Finally, the band of negro minstrels (three in number) with blacked faces, coffee-bag coats and one, broken banjo, came out of the Café de la Source and began to march, but they were thirsty again two blocks below, and went into the Café Jeune France to spend the day. Soon after the Annual Ass—the Jocko who used to be so merry and who was now greeted with cheers—came sneaking round the corner, and dived into a wine-shop to avoid the people who were expecting the usual tears and prayers. If may be that poor Jocko had expended all his force early in the morning, or it may be that he is getting old. The time was when he could climb a balcony or spring upon the back of a pedestrian, or mount behind a cavalier at sunset as briskly as in the morning; but this year Jocko literally sneaked away from the brown at least to amuse; he took no pleasure in making the children scream and hide behind their rosy-cheeked bonnes, and appeared to be a far sadder and wiser monkey than he was one year ago. This ape has long been the delight of the quarter of the schools, and he always amuses the children upon the Boulevard St. Michel and at the Luxembourg, where he alone has license to climb the trees. In the gardens the pigeons and sparrows were shy of their feeder, and could not be induced to perch upon his hand, and there were very few toy-boats upon the basin. Even the fat vendor of *Les Funérailles* appeared in the Café-Concert del Odéon without her costume of a fresh young peasant girl—her took was worn and faded, and her dry doleful and less sonorous and musical than of yore. The fate Prosopo was nearly departed, for the proprietor went into bankruptcy only a few days ago. I was greatly disappointed with my visit to the *Bals Latin*. The habitants say that the dullness comes from the lack of students, very few now being at the schools. In lieu of the usual gay and brilliant groups in costume, bands of surly, hungry, discontented shirkers lurked about the wine-shops, indulging in angry growls and frequent quarrels, and drinking themselves beastly drunk. The pleasant parties of dominos or dinarly seen on fête days were very rare, the men preferring the growing custom of drinking standing at a bar, or *sur le zinc*.

THE MUSIC OF THE DAY.

One of the amusements of *Mardi Gras*, in Paris, is listening to the *cor de chasse*, or hunting-horn, of which the French are very fond. When well played, the music is agreeable and entertaining, but the practice of amateur upon the French horn or trombone is not a circumstance to this hunting-horn, and bombs it is forbidden on the streets except upon this particular day. For many years three men have played upon the Boulevards and have drawn enormous crowds. One stations himself upon a balcony and plays a hunting air, which is taken up by another, some or two blocks away—the two horns answering the other and playing all the hunting airs alternately, from the *Ballet* to the "Death of the Stag." On the Boulevards the responses were made by two horns in chorus. Soon after dinner, I went to the Maison Dorée and took a chair and coffee before Tortoni's, in order to hear this music but it was evident from the first strain that the horn had passed to another man, or that another man had come to take a horn, for the chief, sonorous note of the old performer was not there. The leading player was a master of the horn, and no one who has once had in the street can forget his [illegible] English Squire, his velvet skull-cap and flat-skirted coat, and his general air of a jockey or a trainer. I do not know, nor can any one tell me, whether the professor is dead or otherwise chary of breath, but it was evident that his "blow" was not behind the horn, for the players could only [illegible] a few donkey brays, and soon came down to the wine-shop to demonstrate that his horn was out of order. Several "horns" were offered him, but he was pleasingly refused to try it again, so as not to disappoint the crowd, but it seemed that his *air de chasse* was one much "out of repair." The other man tried a solo for a time, but he too was no great shakes as a blower, and soon exhausted himself and his hearers.

ALTHOUGH there had been no masks out during the day, the crowds still thronged the Boulevards in expectation of their appearance during the evening. In effect, toward 9 o'clock, three or four groups were seen hurrying along toward the hall, but there was nothing even bending in the way of costumes, while the lace hat-bands and red arms of the students told very clearly to what class the maskers belonged. Butcher boys, bachers' boys and washing girls are the chief patrons of the masquerade ball. The ball itself was as decent as Sunday, and all the fun and gayety which Swanzee and his friends were able to throw into the affair of "Orphée" were not able to make the dancing there anything so happy. It was curious to see the number of dancers and spectators who were passing from one to the other. Many of the police dandies of the boulevards went to the expense of hiring a costume, and the results were advantage of the day's freedom to appear in male attire, probably because they could borrow it from some lady friend, and because it involved no expense beyond the cost of a false moustache. This was about all which rewarded the patrons of masks who met for fun before the cafés waiting for the masqueraders, and there was a very general expression of disappointment. There was no music of any kind—indeed, it is rare to hear even a hand organ in Paris now—but there was a good deal of drunkenness and heavy arrests. The French are generally very moderate in their amusements, and both quiet and decorous in public places, but I fear that a great change is taking place. The influence of hard drinking was very evident this year, and I saw at least a dozen men walking up and down the Boulevards talking to themselves or making some signory speeches, and crazy drunk. Absinthe is now a fashionable, all most are fond of it, whether the use of it be in public, and to meet one's friends upon the highway. A great deal of quantity of absinthe is sold in the cheap quality of the liquor is such as to drive the drinker to madness or stupidity. It is not only on Sundays and holidays that drunkenness is conspicuous. During my walk to the Bois on Wednesday last I saw more than one drunken man, and the time [illegible] and the time [illegible] and [illegible] drunkenness.

the present mania for drink can be [illegible] will soon become a matter of [illegible] the Fête, very few really enjoyed it. I [illegible] got to find one who was amused. It was in a way equal to that of New-Orleans [illegible] "Mystic Krewe of Comus," and the brilliant ball at the Variétés. I am sure that everybody was glad, when about 4 o'clock this morning, the few masters went howling home to throw aside the spangles of Mardi gras, and take up the cap and bells of every-day life.

THE DEATH OF M. CONTI.

I am very sorry to record the death of M. Conti, of which rumors were circulated by telegraph last night. One by one the friends of NAPOLEON III. are dropping away, and I am very sure that the news of empire has affected him less than the loss of two dear friends as on PERSIGNY and Conti. The idolatry of the fallen Prince was a virtue which one could almost speak of as a kindly vice. Of course, M. Conti is attacked by the Republican and Orleanist press, and in a manner which makes one really sorry with them; but the Legitimist journals all speak well of him, and I believe he could tell the truth. I can mean—see M. Conti's name without recalling the scene at Bordeaux, which, I gave you at the time, when a dozen men, headed by M. LANGLOIS, rushed at M. CONTI as the tribune, where he had begun to defend the Prince, and tore him down. I am sure that no one could ever forget the calm dignity of the man in the midst of this storm, nor the way he carried each comer by a glance of scorn and contempt. The members of the Left hated the aristocratic CONTI, because they knew that he despised them from the bottom of his heart and always treated them as *canaille*; but, after that first attempt, they never again tried to menace him. M. CONTI was a remarkably fine-looking man; pale, thin and aristocratic, with delicate features and a woman's white hand; and the very contrast he presented to his coarse enemies was a standing injury to them. No man was of greater service to the Emperor.

ASHBY.

INDIA.

The Assassination of Lord Mayo—A Sketch of the Murderer.

REYNOLD G. TAYLOR, Commissioner of Umballa, writes to the London *Times*, under date of Feb. 12: "I was about this morning to address to you a few words regarding the Kookas, following the lead of Messrs. MACNAIR and FORD, when I was shocked and grieved by the intelligence of Lord MAYO's assassination by the hand of a man whom I believe that I know so well that I can picture both figures in the and scene enacted in that island prison, and also pretty well understand the motive and character of the crime.

As it cannot but be that deep interest will be felt on these two points throughout the land, and as it is possible that the crime, following so rapidly on the murder of Chief-Justice NORMAN, may be attributed to lunatics, who would, I feel sure, be a mistake, I think it may be useful at once to give in an anticipatory way a few particulars regarding the assassin and his antecedents, the correctness of which may be relied on. It is certainly possible that I may be wrong regarding the man's identity, but from a revolver shot, his manner, vindictive character, I do not feel this to be likely.

SHERE ALLEE is an Afreedee, his home being beyond our border, in the Toorah Mountains, west of the Khyber Pass. He had been selected by Sir HERBERT EDWARDES or Col. JAMES, I do not remember which, to act as a mounted orderly on the staff of the commissioner of Peshawur, a post he filled with credit, and I first made his acquaintance when I temporarily took up the Peshawur Commissionership from Col. JAMES in 1863. SHERE ALLEE was made over to me by Col. JAMES with the warning that he had a serious blood feud on hand with a rival branch of the own family, and that he would probably ask leave occasionally to go and prosecute this petty warfare in his own hills. Numerous victims had fallen on both sides in this feud, and the balance for the time was against SHERE ALLEE, and accordingly he was occasionally summoned by his family to carry on the feud when they believed that his opportunity of attacking their foes. The head of the rival branch was likewise a scourge. This hereditary quarrel was eventually the ruin of SHERE ALLEE himself, and by as strong a combination of circumstances as ever swayed the balance of mortal destiny it has involved the fate of a gallant nobleman and gentleman, the highest in the land, in the scene being a remote island in the Indian seas.

SHERE ALLEE, unhappily for all, did not content himself with prosecuting his blood feud in his own mountains, where his proceedings being in accordance with the usages of his tribe and the practice of his co-religionists, could be no concern of ours. The British territory is free to all, and he implored simplest all our laws, forfeit their lands and commissions found on British ground. This principle of the sanctity of the neutral ground afforded by our territory is well known and recognized by all the tribesmen on our borders. I have frequently had men, and parties of men, sitting on the same carpet before me who directly they crossed the border could only meet as Montague and Capulet.

But it so fell out that SHERE ALLEE was induced under what was to him, no doubt, strong temptation, to violate the sanctuary of British territory, and, either watching his opportunity or accidentally obtaining it, he fell upon his hereditary foe as he was passing through the suburbs of Peshawur and took his life, thereby, according to Pathan modes of feeling, setting himself right, and throwing the onus of the next move in the game on his rival. This occurred after I had left Peshawur. Col. POLLOCK tried SHERE ALLEE for his life, found him guilty, and, I believe, passed the death sentence, in consideration of his good character in our service, and partly, I believe, from the fact of the evidence against him being chiefly circumstantial, he recommended him to mercy quoad the extreme penalty of the law, and he was eventually transported for life.

I was then, I think, with Col. POLLOCK at the time regarding him. SHERE ALLEE had accompanied me throughout the Umbeylah campaign, and had behaved with the gallantry and devotion which the men of his tribe know so well how to display when they are treated with kindness and confidence. I remember very well I wrote to me, but, I know, I forwarded it to Col. POLLOCK, and I feel sure that the prisoner was released. I was at Peshawur when the news of the assassination of Chief-Justice NORMAN reached us, and I remember well the sensation it created. He had attended me with great zeal and devotion in rough work, and in peace he had been the paternal friend of my children, and little Alice, my eldest, was christened after his wife. He was a gallant and courteous gentleman, and a true friend. I feel sure that SHERE ALLEE, in his wild and romantic way, was fond of him, and would, if occasion arose, have risked life to serve him. Of course, I knew that SHERE ALLEE was occasionally summoned by his family to carry on the feud when they believed that his opportunity of attacking their foes was favorable, and I knew that the

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Feb. 22.

FIRST BOARD.

$10,000 U. S. 6-20 Cs,	110⅝	200 W. C. Pitts. R. c.	25½
5,000 U. S. 6-20 C.,	110⅝	200 do.	25½
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	110⅝	200 do.	25½
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67,	111⅛	100 Wells-Fargo Ex.	72½
1,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67,	111⅛	100 United States Ex.	65½
1,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '68,	113	50 N. Y. Cen. & H.	97⅝
5,000 U. S. 10-40 C.	110⅝	200 do. bot. cell.	97⅝
100,000 do.	110⅝	200 Erie Railway	22⅝
10,000 Mo., Kan. & Tex.	57½	200 do.	22⅝
1,000 S. C. 6s, new	60	200 do.	22⅝
do. April	30½	200 do.	22⅝
5,000 U. C. 6s, '67	69	200 do.	22⅝
1,000 do. July	69	200 do. bot. cell.	22⅝
5,000 do.	21⅝	1,200 do.	22⅝
1,000 Missouri 6s	85	400 Harlem R.	109
1,000 Susquehanna W. 1s	56	10 do.	112
1,000 Illinois 6s	90	1,000 L. S. & M. S., bd.	92
1,000 Ala. 6s, Class C.	20	100 do.	92
1,000 Can. Pac. G. bds.	102⅛	500 do. bot. cell.	91⅝
1,000 Wilm. Pac. 1st	91⅝	1800 do.	92
6,000 do.	91⅝	200 do.	91⅝
1,000 do. bot. cell.	91⅝	3 Rick. Cen. R.	25
10,000 Union P. L. G. 1st	91⅝	100 Clev. & Pitts. G.	92
5,000 Ill. P. Inc. Inc	37⅝	200 Chi. & N. West.	74⅝
5,000 Ill. West. 2d	80⅝	do.	74⅝
2,000 Ill. C. R. & L.	107	do.	74⅝
10,000 L. & M. St. P. 1st	97⅝	200 Union Pac. R.	34⅝
1,000 do. & Dak. 1st	90	do.	34⅝
1,000 Long Island 6s	90	do. bot. cell.	34⅝
10 Canton Co.	54	do.	34⅝
200 do.	54	do.	34⅝
200 do.	54	do.	34⅝
100 do.	54	do.	34⅝
100 do. bot. c. 10 d.	54	do.	34⅝
200 Cons. Coal of Md. c.	24⅝	do. bot. cell.	34
100 Quick. Mt. Coal	25⅝	100 St. & St. Jos.	41⅝
100 Quick. Pf. bot. cell.	30⅝	100 H. & St. Jo. Pf.	60⅝
200 Michigan Cen.	97	do.	97
200 do.	97	do. bot. cell.	97
100 Michigan Pf.	3	200 Ohio & Miss. R. c.	24
100 do.	3	do.	24⅝
100 do.	3	do.	24⅝
100 do. bot. cell.	3	do.	24⅝
2000 do.	3	do.	24⅝
100 Pac. Mail S. S. Co.	41⅝	do.	24⅝
100 do. bot. cell. c.	41⅝	200 St. L. & I. M. R. c.	74⅝
200 do.	41⅝	do. bot. cell.	74⅝
200 do.	41⅝	100 U. Pac. bot. cell. c.	34⅝
200 do.	41⅝	200 do.	34⅝
200 do.	41⅝	200 do.	34⅝
100 Am. March. U. Ex.	60⅝	200 do.	34⅝
200 U. S. Express	60⅝	200 Rome & Wat.	100
200 N. Y. C. & H. R. R. c.	97⅝		

SECOND BOARD.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81, Reg.	110⅝	200 Marietta Pt. R. c.	26⅝
5,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65,	110⅝	200 do.	26⅝
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67,	111⅛	200 do.	26⅝
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '68,	113⅛	100 Wells-Fargo Ex.	72⅝
1,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67,	111⅛	100 United States Ex.	65⅝
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1,000 do. & Dak. 1st	90	do.	34⅝
1,000 Long Island 6s	90	do. bot. cell.	34⅝
10 Canton Co.	54	do.	34⅝
200 do.	54	do.	34⅝
200 do.	54	do.	34⅝
100 do.	54	do.	34⅝
100 do. bot. c. 10 d.	54	do.	34⅝
200 Cons. Coal of Md. c.	24⅝	do. bot. cell.	34
100 Quick. Mt. Coal	25⅝	100 St. & St. Jos.	41⅝
100 Quick. Pf. bot. cell.	30⅝	100 H. & St. Jo. Pf.	60⅝
200 Michigan Cen.	97	do.	97
200 do.	97	do. bot. cell.	97
100 Michigan Pf.	3	200 Ohio & Miss. R. c.	24
100 do.	3	do.	24⅝
100 do.	3	do.	24⅝
100 do. bot. cell.	3	do.	24⅝
2000 do.	3	do.	24⅝
100 Pac. Mail S. S. Co.	41⅝	do.	24⅝
100 do. bot. cell. c.	41⅝	200 St. L. & I. M. R. c.	74⅝
200 do.	41⅝	do. bot. cell.	74⅝
200 do.	41⅝	100 U. Pac. bot. cell. c.	34⅝
200 do.	41⅝	200 do.	34⅝
200 do.	41⅝	200 do.	34⅝
100 Am. March. U. Ex.	60⅝	200 do.	34⅝
200 U. S. Express	60⅝	200 Rome & Wat.	100
200 N. Y. C. & H. R. R. c.	97⅝		

THURSDAY, Feb. 22—P. M.

The Custom-house returns of the Foreign Trade at this port for the month of January have just been made up, and we present our usual summary for the month, and also for the first seven months of the current fiscal year, 1871-72, from July 1, 1871, to Jan. 31, 1872, in comparison with the figures of the corresponding period of the previous fiscal years:

The Import entries at New-York for January were as follows, compared with the corresponding month of the year 1871:

	January, 1872.	January, 1871.
Dutiable Goods, direct	$17,050,812	$14,196,556
Dutiable Goods, bonded	14,904,692	11,052,148
Free Goods	2,772,221	2,334,572
Total January entries	$34,627,724	$27,583,276

The amount of goods of the previous importations withdrawn from Bond during the month, is $12,369,012, or $2,505,590 less than went into Bond; so that the value of Goods actually marketed for the month, including articles free of duty, is $38,131,584, upon which the Customs paid, amount to $13,317,067, or, at the average Tariff (including Free Goods,) of 40 ⅌ cent. The amount marketed in January, 1871, was $30,531,522, upon which the Customs were $12,010,031.

There was also entered during the month Foreign Specie of the value of $105,322, against $208,656 in January, 1871.

The comparative value of Foreign Goods entered at the port of New-York, and of Foreign Goods actually marketed here in the seven months of the Fiscal Years 1871-72 and 1870-71, compare as follows:

	1871-72. July 1 to Jan. 31.	1870-71. July 1 to Jan. 31.
Total entries	$242,866,856	$179,220,209
Total marketed	$211,269,339	$179,844,778
Customs thereon	87,866,289	74,924,952
Average tariff	41.39 ⅌ cent.	41.30 ⅌ cent.

*Of which Free Goods in 1872, $15,764,147, and Free Goods in 1871, $16,020,656.

The amount of foreign Specie, not included in the above, entered during the seven months, is $1,711,876, against $4,910,971 the previous year.

The actual monthly consumption (or values marketed) of Foreign Goods at the Port of New-York for the seven months of the Fiscal Years 1871-72 and 1870-71, compare as follows:

	1871-72. July 1 to Jan. 31.	1870-71. July 1 to Jan. 31.
July	$28,134,400	$25,122,920
August	29,276,473	21,180,002
September	27,097,290	26,160,803
October	32,648,[illegible]	32,[illegible]
November	28,739,341	31,221,763
December	31,196,870	24,882,800
January	32,131,524	30,831,522
Total seven months	$211,002,398	$179,844,778

The monthly Customs at this port received on Foreign (dutiable) Merchandise marketed, were as follows:

July	$11,324,847	November	$2,324,044
August	14,423,109	December	1,024,777
September	13,722,602	January	13,317,067
October	12,056,671		
Total New-York duties collected			$87,866,289
Miscellaneous out-port Customs			3,000,252
Total deposited at New-York			$91,058,063

The Export clearances from New-York for the month of January were as follows:

	January, 1872.	January, 1871.
Domestic Produce	$18,170,488	$18,370,762
Foreign Re-exports	771,818	492,128
Gold and Silver	1,549,362	2,149,211
Total Jan. clearances	$20,491,668	$20,957,097

The Exports of all descriptions for the seven months of the Fiscal Years 1871-72 and 1870-71 compare as follows:

	1871-72. July 1 to Jan. 31.	1870-71. July 1 to Jan. 31.
Domestic Produce	$132,457,132	$132,411,246
Foreign Re-exports	8,867,112	8,867,359
Gold and Silver	32,691,000	37,570,000
Total seven months	$173,015,244	$178,848,605

It will be noticed that the total of Foreign Goods marketed at and from New-York, for the seven months of the Fiscal Year, is 37½ ⅌ cent. ahead of the previous season, which showed the largest importation in the history of the port. The increase in the eighth month of the Fiscal Year, (February,) blowing this Afternoon, is even larger than the average of the present statement.

In the Money market, today, the demand continued active, and the rates quite up to yesterday, until near the close of Bank hours, when there was an increased number of lenders, who readily accepted 7 ⅌ cent. Currency Interest. On the strength of this apparent return to ease, the Stock Exchange, which had manifested dullness, with some depression in prices through the forenoon, [illegible]

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞ BANKING-HOUSE OF FISK & HATCH, NO. 5 NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 22, 1872.

We are selling the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD FIRST MORTGAGE SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS at the rate of 92 and accrued interest. They are in denominations of $1,000, $500 and $100, Registered or with coupons attached; interest payable May and November in United States gold coin; principal payable in 1908, also in gold coin. Bonds delivered by Express, charges paid.

These bonds, besides being the formal obligations of a well-established, substantial and thoroughly responsible corporation, constituted among its officers and directors some of the most experienced and careful capitalists and business men of the country, are also secured by a mortgage lien upon the whole great railroad line, equipment, property and franchises, whose cost and value will not be less than thirty millions, and which is destined, at an early day, to have a productive value of nearly double this sum.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad extends from the deep-water navigation of the Chesapeake Bay to the head of reliable inland navigation on the Ohio River, a distance of 627 miles, of which twenty three miles is already in operation, and the remainder under such rapid construction that it will be completed during the closing Summer.

This line furnishes a short and remarkably easy route for travel and transportation between the Great West and the Atlantic coast, and as such will share, on advantageous terms, to a large extent, in the vast volume of through business from the West which now tasks all existing means of transit. By means of connecting lines, now under construction in Ohio and Kentucky, it will afford the shortest and cheapest route between Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Chicago, Nashville, Memphis and the Far West and the North Atlantic shipping ports; and it must at once take rank, therefore, as one of the Great Trunk Roads of the country for through transportation.

Besides these advantages it traverses the RICHEST AND MOST EXTENSIVE COAL DEPOSITS in the country, in its route through the KANAWHA VALLEY, and crossed, in its course, some of the most important and valuable deposits of iron ore known on this Continent. The coal, of which there are three varieties, will furnish an enormous and profitable traffic; and there is no doubt that a large manufacturing activity will soon be developed along the line.

$1,000 bond costs (with the back interest) today $910 in gold.

$500 bond costs (with the back interest) today $455 in gold.

$100 bond costs (with the back interest) today $91 in gold.

We buy and sell GOVERNMENT AND CENTRAL PACIFIC BONDS, and receive them in exchange for CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO BONDS at their current prices. Descriptive pamphlets, with full information, furnished on application.

We receive deposits and allow interest at the rate of four per cent. on balances; make collections in all parts of the country; issue certificates of deposit, and do a general banking business.

FISK & HATCH.

HARVEY FISK, A. S. HATCH.

☞ THE 6 PER CT. FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND LAND GRANT BONDS OF THE ST. JOSEPH AND DENVER CITY RAILROAD COMPANY,

in denominations of $1,000, $500 and $100, Coupon or Registered, can now be obtained to a limited amount only from the undersigned, or through the principal Banks and Bankers throughout the United States.

The safety and reliability of these Bonds is evidenced in the continued and increasing demand for them by prudent and careful investors, who have invested in them after a most thorough and rigid examination of the security pledged for their payment, both interest and principal.

THEY ARE SECURED by a *first and only mortgage* on the Company's *railroad*, (*which will soon connect the Union Pacific Road at Fort Kearney with the City of St. Joseph, Mo., already an important railroad centre*,) upon the *Franchise* and the same—upon the *Equipment* and *personal property* of every description—upon the *Land Grant* to the Company granted by special Act of Congress approved July 23, 1866, amounting to 1,700,000 *acres*, which has been *officially certified to the Company by the Commissioner of the General Land Office in his annual report to Congress, transmitted through the Secretary of the Interior on Jan. 10, 1872.*

The Bonds are issued only as they represent a completed and equipped Road; all proceeds of Bonds beyond this are held by the Trustees in trust until the necessary completion entitles the Company to these proceeds.

The Road is built first-class in every particular, and has been so received and accepted by the Department of the Interior.

The Mortgage Deed of Trust prohibits the sale of any of the Company's Lands at less than $10 (40 dollars per acre, payable to the Trustees and applied to the payment of the Bonds, through the operation of the Sinking Fund. The payment of the Bonds before maturity is not compulsory upon the holders.

The Bonds are therefore secured by two classes of property *combined in one mortgage*, the value of either largely exceeding the amount of bonds which can be issued under the mortgage.

Trustees—Farmers' Loan and Trust Company of New-York.

The Bonds have thirty years to run, with both principal and interest payable in Gold. The Principal payable in New-York, the interest at eight (8 p. c.) per cent., payable in February and August either in New-York, London or Frankfort-on-the-Main, free of tax.

Price 97½ and accrued interest in Currency. The Bonds are receivable at par and accrued interest in payment for the Company's Land Sales. Maps, circulars, documents and full information furnished on application.

The Bonds of this Company have always been received with favor by investors and capitalists, have always commanded a ready market, and we unhesitatingly recommend them—believing this loan will rank equally with that of the Eastern Division issues, which are now selling at a premium above par.

TANNER & CO., Bankers, No. 11 Wall-street.

☞ REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK, at the close of business on the 27th day of February, 1872:

RESOURCES.

Loans on demand	$1,021,227 71
Discounts	1,116,[illegible]
Overdrafts (against collateral)	10,[illegible]
United States bonds to secure circulation	[illegible]
United States bonds on hand	[illegible]
Other bonds	[illegible]
Premiums	[illegible]
Furniture and fixtures	10,000 00
Due from banks and bankers	947,[illegible]
Cash, viz.:	
Specie	$[illegible]
Legal tender	[illegible]
National bank notes	20,041 00
Fractional currency	[illegible]
Clearing-house exchanges	1,140,[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

Capital	[illegible]
Surplus and profits	[illegible]
Circulation	[illegible]
Deposits, viz.:	
Individual	$1,[illegible]
Banks	1,[illegible]
Unpaid dividends	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞ MIDLAND RAILROAD FIRST MORTGAGE 7 PER CENT. GOLD BONDS.

Limited to $20,000 per mile on completed road.

The rapid progress towards completion of this great Trunk Line from New-York to the West and to Canada, enables us to offer to investors at par and interest, a further limited amount of these favorite securities.

Upwards of one miles of the road, including the New-Jersey portions, are already finished, equipped, and in operation; and contracts with responsible parties have been made for its entire completion by the first day of July next. When this shall have been accomplished its earnings cannot fail to be large and highly remunerative, as it has advantages at least equal to those of any of its competitors for both local and through business. It is building for cash, of which nearly $3,000,000 has been furnished by subscription to its stock at PAR. The work is substantial, and, including equipment, has not exceeded in cost $30,000 per mile, which is less than one-third of the amount at which some of the trunk lines of roads leading from New-York are capitalized, and on which they are paying good dividends.

In view of these facts, the Midland First Mortgage Bonds must be regarded as a first-class security—quite as safe as Government; and, by making the exchange at the present difference in price, *holders of Midland Bonds will realize 33 per cent. more of revenue upon the amount invested than the holders of Government Bonds.*

For sale or exchange for Governments at their market price, by

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO., No. 25 Nassau-st.

☞ Investors who are in search of a perfectly safe and highly profitable security, which can be obtained at a reasonable price, would do well to examine the clause of the First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. Land Grant Gold Bonds of the West Wisconsin Railway. These Bonds have only Eleven years to run, and are secured by a railroad already in successful operation; and by a land grant of 1,000,000 acres. Sold at 92½ and accrued interest in currency by WHITE, MORRIS & Co., No. 16 Wall-st., and GWYNNE, JOHNSTON & DAY, No. 16 Wall-st., who will furnish pamphlets and particulars.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

COURT OF APPEALS—Albany, N. Y., Feb. 22.—The following is the Court of Appeals day calendar for March: Nos. 193, 195, 200, 205, 208, 209, 210.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART 1—Hold by Van Brunt, J.—Adjourned to 10½ A. M.—776, Kinney vs. Thomson; 2267, Day vs. Co.; survivor partner, &c., vs. Smith; 1921, Thomson et al. vs. Brandt et al.; 2287, Rogers, Ingersoll, &c., vs. Marshall et al.; 2321, Bank of Commerce vs. Wendell; 2322, Chittenden vs. Parker; 2325, Chase et al. vs. Whitcomb; 2327, Kearney vs. Sheehan; 2328, Rose, Jr., vs. Brown; 2077, Lane vs. Minton; 2287, Brown vs. McCready; 2288, Jay vs. Brown; 2289, Jay vs. Brown; Minsky, Company vs. Beard et Gallick et al.; 2317, Lake vs. Morrissey et al.; 2318, Wilson vs. Lester et al.; 2319, Wilder vs. Stevens; 2321, Lenlow vs. Ackerman et al.; 2322, Chittenden vs. Parker; 2325, Company vs. Tait et al.; 2326, Simons et al. vs. Levy; 2327, Rogers vs. Marshall et al.; 2287, Mercantile vs. Fowler; 2288, Gallenscliker vs. Tiedman; 2078, Bloomfield vs. Bernstein; 2279, Marsh et al. vs. Odell.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—Hold by Ingraham, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.—149, Hay vs. White; 2[illegible], Bull vs. Spratt.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Hold by Barnard J.—No cause set down.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 21.

By Judge Ingraham.

P. J. Blanvelt vs. Blanvelt: judgment for plaintiff; see opinion with clerk.

By Judge Brady.

The People *ex rel.* McGuire; motion denied; see opinion with clerk.

By Judge Barnard.

J. Meloche et al. vs. Gallagher et al.; motion granted.

In the matter of the petition of the stockholders of the United States Ice and Refrigerating Company; motion granted.

Ritter vs. Gobel et al.; default opened upon payment of term fee of $10, costs of this motion $10, and 20 disbursements within ten days.

Guidet vs. The Mayor, &c.; motion denied.

By Judge Barrett.

Maurice vs. Maurice; see opinion with clerk.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 20.

By Judge Monell.

Mayer vs. Michael; motion denied, with $10 costs; see opinion with clerk.

Ely et al. vs. Allen; motion denied.

Mayer vs. Appel; this motion does not appear to have been ever issued by adjournments.

Ritter vs. Philip; motion granted.

Duburry vs. Gratsy; order granted.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 20.

By Judge Loew.

Wagner vs. Heathcott; motion granted.

The Judd Linseed and Sperm Oil Company vs. Taylor; additional allowance of $1,000 granted.

By Judge Larremore.

Stemle vs. Bill and others; see opinion with clerk.

Chicago Female Hospital—Meeting to Its Aid in this City—Remarks of Dr. Thompson and Dr. Bellows—The Plan Proposed.

A meeting in aid of the Hospital for Women and Children, in Chicago, which was destroyed in the great fire, was held, yesterday, in the Female College of the New-York Infirmary for Women and Children, in this City. The institution, which was destroyed was the only one of the kind in the North-west. Its place is now supplied by rooms in hospital barracks, but an effort is making to rebuild a plain, substantial structure. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Bell. Lowe, who briefly stated the object of the meeting and called upon Dr. MARY H. THOMPSON, who gave an account of the institution. It was opened in a private house in 1865, and was designed for sick women and children.

Dr. THOMPSON gave a vivid account of the present sufferings in Chicago, and expressed her fears than an epidemic of cholera would rage in the city next season, caused by the debilitation of the people and defective sewerage.

Dr. BELLOWS urged the claims of the movement upon the charitable public. If it were a larger institution it would be more likely to receive assistance. But it is only by attention to small things that any great event is accomplished. Nothing could appeal more reasonably to the feelings of every guilty than an effort to help suffering and poor women and children. He thought that the $6,000 required from New-York could be obtained by personal effort, either on the part of a committee, or of Dr. THOMPSON herself. He proposed that Mr. COLLYER be invited to deliver a course in New-York in behalf of the hospital. This proposition met with a favorable response. Proposals for the sale of tickets for the lecture were made, and 750 were disposed of on the spot. Donations in aid of the Chicago Hospital may be sent to JOHN E. WILLIAMS, President of the Metropolitan Bank, or Dr. E. M. ANSORE, No. 210 East Fourteenth-street.

Extraordinary Sale of Canaries.

Yesterday morning, MATTHEWS, the auctioneer, of No. 631 Broadway, disposed of the canary birds which formed so prominent a decoration of the Long Branch boats of the Narragansett Steam-ship Company, of which the late JAMES FISK, Jr., was the President. Each bird was sold in a separate lot, and the sale lasted four hours and a half, there being 260 birds in the collection. They brought prices ranging from $3 up to $28 50. The highest price was given for the bird known as "Colonel Jim," which used to fly about the *Pilgrim's Rock* and scatter on the leaders invariably exciting young and pretty passengers. It was purchased by a "dreamer" from Chicago, who, season as it was knocked down to him, drew from the recesses of his pockets a huge sheet of brown paper, a paint-brush, and a bottle of printing ink, and inscribed on the paper in large letters a statement that "this bird had been purchased by Black Blank, Esq., sole agent in New-York of the Chicago Black Blank Company." The famous music-box, surrounded by a fine model in gold and silver of the *Providence*, was sold for the sum of $1,000.

Select Committee was Committed.

ELIZA WILKINSON, aged twenty-four, was found early, yesterday, in Hester-street, near the Bowery, disabled and suffering from abuse at the hands of two men, as she alleged. She was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

The premises of G. TROCHE, hair-dresser, No. 141 Chambers-st., were slightly damaged by fire yesterday morning. The disaster was caused by a defective flue.

WILLIAM J. JOHNS, aged twenty-five, died yesterday in Bellevue Hospital from an injury received on the 14th ultimo, when at the corner of Third-avenue and Sixty-second-street, by having a Third-avenue car pass over one of his feet, crushing it so badly that amputation was necessary.

FERNANDO WENZE, of No. 4 North Moore-street, was committed yesterday by Justice Hogan, on a charge of stealing $ worth of $75, the property of GEORGE FRANCK, from his dressing-room in the Bowery Theatre. ALONZO CARTER, a colored man, was committed by the same Magistrate on a charge of breaking into the saloon of the steamer Bristol, of the Old Dominion line, and stealing two knives.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 1872.

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COTTON—The market for Cotton on the spot has been dull and firm, ruled irregularly, closing at a decline of ⅛c. Sales, 1,237 bales, including 450 bales to exporters, 278 bales to spinners, 50 bales to speculators and 459 bales to consumers. The market declined early in the day, but this was afterward partially recovered and lost again before the close. Sales the past week, 7,230 bales, (13,500 bales to consumers,) and 1,850 bales to speculators, including 1,000 bales to exporters. Total receipts, 109 bales at 21 15-16c., 100 bales at 22c., 300 bales at 21 15-16c., 300 bales at 21¾c., 400 bales at 21 15-16c., 300 bales at 22c., 700 bales at 22 1-16c., 400 bales at 22⅛c., 100 bales at 22 3-16c., 200 bales at 22¼c., 100 bales at 22 5-16c., 400 bales at 22 7-16c., 300 bales at 22½c., 100 bales at 22 9-16c., 300 bales at 22 11-16c., 300 bales at 22¾c., 700 bales at 22 13-16c., 200 bales at 22⅞c., 100 bales at 22 15-16c., 100 bales at 23c., June, 700 bales at 22c., 100 bales at 22 1-16c., 100 bales at 22 3-16c., 200 bales at 22¼c., 100 bales at 22 5-16c., 100 bales at 22 7-16c., 100 bales at 22½c., 100 bales at 22 9-16c., 100 bales at 22 11-16c., 100 bales at 22¾c., 100 bales at 22 13-16c., 100 bales at 22⅞c., 100 bales at 23c., September, 100 bales at 21¾c., Rechanged, 7,100 bales, paid to exchange 500 bales from March 1st, 500 bales in April. Total, 12,600 bales. Today, Saturday, 300 bales at 22c., 100 bales at 22 1-16c., 200 bales at 21¾c., 100 bales at 21 11-16c., 100 bales at 21¾c., 100 bales at 21 13-16c., 100 bales at 21¼c., 100 bales at 21 5-16c., 100 bales at 21¼c., 100 bales at 21 3-16c., 100 bales at 21¼c., 100 bales at 21 1-16c., 200 bales at 21c., 100 bales at 20 15-16c., 100 bales at 20¾c., 100 bales at 20 13-16c., 100 bales at 20½c., 100 bales at 20 11-16c., 100 bales at 20 9-16c., 100 bales at 20 7-16c., 100 bales at 20 5-16c., 100 bales at 20 3-16c., 100 bales at 20 1-16c., 100 bales at 20c., 200 bales at 19 15-16c., 100 bales at 19¾c., 100 bales at 19 13-16c., 100 bales at 19½c., 100 bales at 19 11-16c., 100 bales at 19 9-16c., 100 bales at 19 7-16c., 100 bales at 19 5-16c., 100 bales at 19 3-16c., 100 bales at 19 1-16c., 100 bales at 19c., 100 bales at 18 15-16c., 100 bales at 18¾c., 100 bales at 18 13-16c., 100 bales at 18½c., 100 bales at 18 11-16c., 100 bales at 18 9-16c., 100 bales at 18 7-16c., 100 bales at 18 5-16c., 100 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BOOTH'S THEATRE.—Hunted Chase—Mr. Edwin Booth.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—The Naiad Queen.—The Marvellous, Miss Kate Santley and Miss Fanny Lee.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.—Divorce—Character by company.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—Human Dumpt—Mr. G. L. Fox and Kirsly Troupe.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—Variety Performances.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—Dramatic Performances and Curiosities—Afternoon and Evening.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.—Equestrian, Gymnastic and Athletic Feats.

BRYANT'S OPERA-HOUSE.—Negro Minstrelsy—Dances.

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COOPER INSTITUTE.—Lecture and Exhibition of Laughing Gas by Dr. Colton.

STEINWAY HALL.—Concert by the Judies Singers.

ASSOCIATION HALL.—Lecture by Dr. Holland. Subject—"The Social Underflow."

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The youthful Fenian O'CONNOR, who threatened, with a pistol not loaded, to assassinate Queen VICTORIA yesterday, in order, as he says, to frighten her into doing justice to Ireland, is hardly likely to get off so easily as his predecessors in the same line have done. And yet, the man must have been rather more crazy than OXFORD was. Nobody but a madman could have supposed that, in the almost impossible event of a royal amnesty being signed under such circumstances, it could have been worth the paper it was written on, or that, being signed, he could have escaped with it from the very portal of the royal residence. The act of this evident lunatic can have but two results: to fan the flame of loyalty which mounted so high on Wednesday last, and to exasperate still further the English people against Fenianism and all that it represents. The Queen displayed the constitutional coolness of her race in a moment of apparent danger. It really seems as if the evil genius of the House of HANOVER had lost its power of doing harm. The illness of the Prince of WALES seemed an untoward event, but created, during its course, and at its conclusion, an outburst of attachment to the Throne unexampled for years. And now the dilapidated and empty pistol of O'CONNOR will help to give the Queen such a hold on the affection of her subjects, as will last, with very little trouble on her part, to the end of her life.

Controller GREEN has furnished the heads of Departments with a statement of the amount apportioned for their current expenditures between Jan. 1 and April 30. He has accompanied this intimation with the very needful reminder that, in the existing condition of the affairs of the City, it is exceedingly important that every Department and officer of the Government should exercise the utmost economy. The Ring Board of Apportionment, under the Two per Cent. Tax bill, set aside sums for the various Departments, which were notoriously inadequate for the purpose indicated. Partly from this reason, and partly from the extravagance or swindling practiced in nearly every Department, the legal appropriations were exhausted long before the end of the year. Hence the existence of the claims for millions of dollars which are being passed upon by the Board of Audit, and hence the demoralized tone of many of the Departments, leading them to spend money without any regard whatever to what the law allows. Controller GREEN does not specially invite heads of Departments to refrain from exceeding the sum allowed them, for that the law directs him to prevent, but he expresses the hope that they will do even better than this, and leave an unexpended surplus at the end of the fiscal year. This hope the TIMES echoes very cordially indeed.

The bill to make election day a legal holiday has been favorably reported by the Judiciary Committee of the Assembly. We trust that this bill will be promptly approved by both Houses of the Legislature. Our business men, and those in their employ, ought not only to consider it a solemn duty to vote, but should be equally prepared to assist all good citizens in seeing that their vote is respected. The leaving of polling places in charge of rowdies and criminals has cost us already fifty millions of dollars, and the man who is not ready to assist in averting such a result in future is not only forgetful of one of his highest duties, but is also practicing the worst possible kind of economy.

It appears that the defense of the Tammany Ring made by the *World*, between June 13 and Dec. 31 of last year, is to cost the tax-payers $24,835 90. That, at least, is the modest demand sent in to the Controller. Of course the people will gladly pay the money.

The Senate has adopted Mr. SUMNER'S resolution of inquiry into the French arms business. The preamble, with "the stump speech in its belly," was laid on the table, Mr. SUMNER himself voting in the affirmative. The Senator from Massachusetts "indignantly" denied that this vote was equivalent to a confession that the preamble was wrong. If not, then what becomes of Mr. SUMNER'S lofty talk about "the love of truth and a desire for justice." The same principles could hardly have instigated the framing and the killing of the preamble. Now that the resolution has passed, let us hope that the investigation will be thorough, so that the country may see how entirely without foundation were the accusations of Senator SCHURZ.

Mr. ALVORD finished the job he had undertaken of whitewashing his friend Mr. HUSTED, in a way which leaves nothing to be desired on the part of the member from Westchester. The report signed by Mr. ALVORD, "by order of the Committee," states that the evidence excluded related merely to "personal and private difficulties" between Mr. RYDER and Mr. HUSTED. How the Committee learned this without giving Mr. RYDER the chance of opening his mouth about these difficulties does not appear. The facts remain just as we stated them, and twenty whitewashing Committees cannot obliterate them. The old Board of Park Commissioners bought gravel at prices whose maximum was $3 60 per cubic yard. The Sweeny, Hilton and Fields Commission paid $3 60 for the same gravel, and the old Commissioners were no sooner reinstated than they found it possible to procure gravel at the old price of $2 60. The public was swindled, somehow, and Mr. ALVORD'S Committee have not succeeded in showing by whom.

The prospect of a Republican triumph in New-Hampshire continues to improve. The Manchester *Mirror* says that the canvass of the State "gives us a majority of Republicans over all opposition, so that if all vote as they are reported, and as they in most cases report themselves, we shall elect our candidate for Governor by a positive and handsome majority." The same paper is confident of six members in the Senate and a majority of forty in the House. The canvass in this State is usually a certain index of the final result. Let the Republicans bring out their fullest vote, and so teach the Democrats what they have to expect in the Fall.

Friends and Foes of the Administration.

Senator SCHURZ'S friends are showing evident symptoms of distress. They began the session in a spirit which must always turn out to be indiscreet—that is, in a spirit of boasting over a triumph which had not been won. Since then, they have seen reason to believe that SCHURZ is not so good a man, and Gen. GRANT not so bad a man, as they pretended. SCHURZ has, indeed, made many speeches—hundreds of them—but they have fallen absolutely dead upon the country. They have been reprinted by Democratic Committees, and circulated under the franks of Democratic Senators, but they have not in the least degree affected the tone of public opinion. Seeing this, the friends of the "great Senator" cry out for quarter. Their man must be spared from criticism. He is to be a free lance in politics, and to be allowed to abuse and insult everybody who does not happen to take his view of public affairs—but against him not a word is to be uttered. One of his admirers even cries out piteously to the President to stop the criticisms of the NEW-YORK TIMES, and this cry does not proceed from a lunatic, as might naturally be supposed, but from the editor of the *Nation*—an authority who has never yet found anybody or anything to admire in this world but Senator SCHURZ, and who, like most people who fall in love late in life, is perfectly infatuated with his idol.

The *Nation*, as some of our readers are aware, is the paper which is always preaching about the "honor of journalism," and always violating it. Its present occupation consists in representing the TIMES as a hired supporter of Gen. GRANT, and an emanation of the evil one which ought to be suppressed. Now there are some people who may have an excuse for adopting this line of "argument," but the editor of the *Nation* is not one of them. He has ways and means of knowing that we stand in a perfectly independent position toward the Administration—that we have never asked or received any favors of the President; that the proprietors and managers of this paper are almost utterly unknown to Gen. GRANT, have never sought anything at his hands, and support him simply as we presume the *Nation* opposes him—that is, from honest conviction, founded on his public acts. We say that the editor of the *Nation* knows this—and therefore when he represents us as a "hired organ" he does not utter slander ignorantly, but with a full knowledge that he is uttering slander. It is not usually under the impression that we were "paid" by the Administration, or were indebted for its fair day favors, his relations with this office are such that he could easily learn the truth. We now, however, invite him to state explicitly in what way he conceives us to be open to the imputations which he is pleased to cast out, and to mention when, where, and how we have been "hired." This is the least any honorable man can do who dabbles in other's good name.

That we support the Administration to the best of our power we admit cheerfully. We do so because we believe that we are thereby promoting the public interests—that Gen. GRANT has made a good President, and that there is every ground to suppose that he will make a still more capable President after having served his apprenticeship to public life. He has gained invaluable experience, and we cannot see the wisdom of turning him off just when he is likely to be most useful to the people. In this estimate of the President, the *Nation* may differ with us—that is all fair. The country is surely large enough for a difference of opinion on such a subject. But when the theory is set up that a public journal cannot say a good word for the Administration without being "hired"—that it must necessarily be corrupt—then we object. We say that it is not in itself a dishonorable thing to interpose a protest against the slanders which tend to bring not only the President, but the Government of the country, and the whole nation, into disrepute. We should always be glad to see a leading paper on the side of the Government, unless it happened to be a very bad Government indeed, which ours is not. It is doubly desirable to have such a paper adopt this course when, as now, the head of the Government is exposed to calumnies and misrepresentations of the most unscrupulous and cowardly description. To call such a paper an "organ," and to insinuate that it has been made worth its while to be an "organ," is an easy matter—but it may not always be so easy to prove it. At any rate, that proof we invite the editor of the *Nation* to produce in our case. If he can point out any transaction by which our independence has been sacrificed, we should be obliged to him to do it—and we have a right to ask that he will do it, after the reckless charges he has made.

Now, with regard to SCHURZ, it is as well for the *Nation* to understand at once that we do not share in its hysterical adoration of its idol—that we regard SCHURZ as a dishonest man, a malicious man, an unprincipled man; in one word, what people call an arrant humbug. He has charged the President, by implication, with being corrupt; and in so doing he has forfeited all claim to be treated with ordinary respect. He has brought numberless charges against the President, and none of them are proved. He has bitterly assailed everybody who has undertaken to say a good word for the President, and therefore has no special claim to gentle treatment himself. If it affords the *Nation* any pleasure to copy the description of SCHURZ which we give in these columns, it is welcome to do so—only it need not suppose that we shall accept any dictation as to the view we take of SCHURZ'S character. We would far rather trust the work of Government to such a man as Gen. GRANT than to such a man as SCHURZ. The *Nation* would rather have SCHURZ. It cannot be gratified, owing to a defect in the Constitution already pointed out by the *World*. It can, however, go on calling SCHURZ the greatest man of the age, while we shall continue to denounce him as the most mischievous humbug in the country. But when it says that we are hired to speak of SCHURZ in this manner, we reply that it passes all legitimate bounds of discussion—throws out reflections which it knows to be false, and at least renders itself liable to be called upon for proofs. Those proofs we now expect it to submit.

Three Political Bed-Fellows.

That politics makes strange bed-fellows is an accepted saying, of the truth of which it needs but a few years' observation of public life to convince any man. And the reason is not far to seek. The politician seeks a certain end; it may be for what he believes to be the public good, and it is just possible that on very rare occasions that it may be for his own interest. Anyway, the end is all he has in view; with the nature of the means whereby that end is to be attained he concerns himself but little. He therefore welcomes aid from any and every quarter, without inquiry into the motives, not to say the character, of those who bring it. Unlike LAOCOON, he does not fear even his enemies when they bring him gifts, if the gift affords even temporary help; [although in the end he often finds, as the Trojans did when they set at naught the warnings of their priest, that the donation is full of danger. But although politics may fitly enough bring together those whose association is strange for any purpose, there is no excuse in political life for a fellowship which is in itself dishonorable. The decent and honest men among the Democratic leaders are not to be excused for allying themselves with the thieves and scoundrels of the Tammany Ring, except upon the plea that they were ignorant of the character of their associates, supported by the fact that when that character was made manifest, they severed their bonds and turned their backs upon their old political companions in arms. For the very reason that we honor the TILDENS, we must condemn the HALLS.

To make political association dishonorable, however, it is not necessary that there should be actual thievery on one side. Association may be degrading where neither party is properly fit to be in the State's Prison. When men who were once enemies, and who are so still, who once were separated as widely as the poles, and who, in fact, are yet as mutually repellant as the poles of a magnet, are found working side by side against a man they once supported, and the motives which bring them together are notoriously envy, jealousy, and disappointed ambition—and when those motives not only yoke these three together but place them side by side with a common enemy, a constant opponent or one who once was their common friend and chosen leader, there is surely no sadder or more disheartening spectacle in politics.

Such a sight has been presented for some time past by the *Sun*, the *Tribune* and the *World*. Could any one have supposed one short year ago that these three journals would now be fighting together? Yet so it is. There they are, companions in arms, the "Three Guardsmen" of our political drama. The *World* assumes the role of the courtly *Athos*, the *Tribune* that of the blunt *Porthos*, while the *Sun* appears as the crafty *D'Artagnan*. It is a sight to see. If BARNUM or Mrs. JARLEY would only get up a wax-work group exhibiting and typifying to the bodily eye this editorial conjunction, what a throng would be gathered round it! Do we not all remember (for it is but a little while since) how the *Sun*, whose editor recommended himself, in vain, to Gen. GRANT for the Collectorship, began to peck and snear, merely by way, as it proved, of premonitory intimation of what might and could, and would be done, if certain expectations were not fulfilled? And have we not all as well in mind the crafty cruelty with which "that great and good man, HORACE GREELEY," was roasted over a slow fire in the same columns? Can any of us forget when, in process of time, CHARLES A. DANA was nominated Appraiser, the announcement "At Last" in the columns of the *Tribune*, and the internecine bitterness of the warfare that followed? And the *World* sneered, and jeered, and twisted its *moustachaire* moustache, and egged on the combatants. And the *Tribune* lauded Gen. GRANT, and the *Sun* went on slandering him more maliciously and more recklessly, and ridiculing and insulting HORACE GREELEY in the form of absurd and extravagant eulogy day by day;—and all this to the delight of the *World*, that hated both equally.

But it came to pass that the pretensions of a certain troublesome little faction of the Republican Party were not recognized either at the White House or in the Republican State organization, as the leaders of that faction thought they should have been; and then those leaders whispered to a certain political philosopher that there ought to be a political philosopher in the White House, and not a military man, no matter how full of honesty and common sense. The political philosopher could not conjecture who was meant. Certainly he had no thought of such change of residence, and no desire for it; but suddenly one day the great one-term principle was discovered and held up to the faithful, as the certain cure, like the brazen serpent in the wilderness, of all the ills from which they suffered. And surely there went enough both of brass and of the serpent into the fabrication to justify the comparison. Then the attack began on Gen. GRANT, which since has gone on until the *Tribune* is more quoted by the enemies of the Administration and of the Republican Party than any Democratic newspaper in the country. The *Sun* could not be so used. Its position, its tone, and its too obvious motives excluded it from even such recognition. But now even that paper and the *World* are not such malicious and mischievous enemies of the Administration as their new ally, with whom they present in a new form the old *tria juncta in uno* of the world, the flesh and the devil. It is to be hoped that they are all pleased with the association. Of this they may be sure—that as they have been equally lovely in their lives, in their disappointment they will not be divided.

The Diamond Mines.

They have been trying a little lynch law of late in South Africa, and some of the European journals, which appear to think that sort of thing is necessarily confined to this country, are much amazed thereby. They are also trying, at the diamond fields, something that looks very like compulsory servitude of the wretched Kaffirs and Zulus, and that threatens to grow into an unmanageable system hereafter. It appears, in fact, that the instances of lynch law reported arose from rules discriminating between the white and black races. By the code of regulations enforced at the diggings, no person is allowed to buy a diamond from a black man; the theory being that to allow such purchase would be to encourage black men to steal. It is forbidden likewise to any black man to hold a claim; and, moreover, no one is permitted to serve drinks to one of the darker race, "save by express permission of his master."

For some reason, the second rule was lately repealed. It is not easy to see how the first could long stand without the other, and the argument on which the second was based—namely, that the possession of a claim by a negro would furnish a blind for his comrades' thefts—seems to have as much force at one time as another. Still, the regulation was repealed, and soon after a canteen-keeper was accused of buying a diamond from a Kaffir—the latter having possessed himself of a claim. It is said that there was little or no doubt of the accused man's guilt. At any rate, "a council of the most respected diggers" was held, whose deliberations were short, and whose action was decided. They marched in a body to the criminal's canteen, thrashed him to a jelly, and then burnt his house to the ground. Not content with this, they also burned down five other canteens for reasons that do not appear, and wound up the day's festivities by getting excessively drunk. Many black men, servants of the owners of the burned tents and dwellings, were badly beaten while the conflagration was in progress, and terror has been inspired all over the diggings. Now, when it is remembered that of the whole population of the various diamond fields, at least one-half are colored, and that in the neighborhood close at hand the number of blacks is such as to create enormous disparity, as between themselves and the whites, there seems fair ground for serious apprehension of the future.

In the early days of California, when lynch law was all that [illegible] and later, when the Vigilance Committee was formed, the great mass of the population were on the side of the men who, whether legally or otherwise, punished offenses against the community. At that time, when no sight was more common at the gold-diggings than a strangled body hanging from a "flume," there was little idea of vengeance on the perpetrators, when had nearly the whole people to back them. The case is manifestly very different when lynch law is put in force to the disadvantage of a race so relatively numerous, and in whom the passion of revenge is known to be powerful. It may be that the letters of correspondents fail to convey a precisely accurate notion of the situation; but if they do, there is danger at the diamond mines of a war of races, which may break out at any time, and be pushed to the worst extremities.

John Chinaman.

It is now almost two years since the experiment of introducing Chinese laborers to compete with skilled white artisans, was first attempted in the Eastern States, and though there is every reason to think that the trial has proved in many ways a success, it is nevertheless true that sire fears then entertained of an immense influx of Mongolians, who were to fill all branches of labor to the complete exclusion of their white rivals, have been found to be wholly groundless. Companies were formed for their importation, agents were sent from north, south, and east to urge them to come, but yet, with the exception of a few straggling bands in Mississippi, and an odd dozen or so individual members of the race in our immediate neighborhood, nothing has come of it. The Chinese question has ceased to be a subject of debate in the meetings of working men's unions, and the vague alarm which it created in the minds of many seems wholly to have departed.

To those acquainted with the national traits of character of the Chinese, nothing could appear more causeless than this universal fear of "an invasion," which rose and vanished so suddenly. Never was there a race of men to whom the attractions of home are so strong. Those who have left China during the past twenty years have, with few exceptions, been enslaved and taken away by force, or compelled to leave in order to obtain the bare necessities of life. The religion of the Chinaman makes it necessary for his future welfare that his body should lie in his native soil, and every social tradition conspires to render a life spent away from the Celestial Empire a source of ignominy both to the emigrant and to his relations. Under such circumstances, the offers held out to them by Eastern capitalists can hardly prove sufficient inducements for any large numbers of them to undertake so long and uncertain a journey.

In order to give full force to this statement, it is necessary to say a word or two concerning the condition of the State of California, which has been held up, very unjustly, as a proof of how easily the Chinese might be induced to leave their own country. Few seem to consider that at the time the Chinese immigration began, California, and the entire Pacific coast as well, offered inducements to men from all over the world, such as in all probability will never again be held out in any part of this country. Wages were exorbitantly high, and the results of mining, though comparatively small, from the careless manner in which it was then conducted, were of sufficient magnitude to attract the cupidity even of the Chinese. The voyage was easily made, and the success of those who first ventured was so great as to induce the subsequent emigration. Since that time, the means of intercommunication have been greatly increased; steamers have been running monthly, and at times fortnightly, between San Francisco and Hong Kong, and, though the amount of merchandise imported and exported has been more than doubled in the four years that they have been running, there has been little or no increase in the number of emigrants. It is not difficult to discover the reason for this; the rate paid for labor has declined, and as Eastern competition becomes more and more felt, it will decline yet further; so that the Chinaman, whose object in emigrating is not to found a new home, but to make a fortune, so that he may live at ease in his native land, will be less inclined than ever to quit his ancestral roof.

We do not think that we are over-estimating the importance of the advantages once held out to these people, and which are now slowly declining, when we say that at the present day, if it were not for the colony of seventy or eighty thousand of them now in California, there would be no emigration at all; and that ten years hence, unless some tremendous political change takes place in China, we doubt whether ten thousand of them will be found in this country. As it is, there are now equal benefits proffered to both Japanese and Chinese, and if, as the past four years have proved, they are not of sufficient worth to excite desire in the restless mind of the former, we may be sure that their influence is waning in the attraction they have for the latter.

Meaning New-Zealanders.

If the people of New-Zealand place any reliance upon the reports spread before them in their newspapers, they are not likely to have a very exalted opinion of the American nation. In the Auckland *Herald*, received by the last mail, we find the startling announcement that a single individual, named BROWN, had performed the extraordinary feat of poisoning to death all the inhabitants—1,200—of the "township of Weepawha, Kentucky State." Mr. BROWN, it seems, had succeeded in amassing a good deal of money as a miner, and went to Weepawha for the purpose of entering upon a new life. Shortly after arriving, he became acquainted with the daughter of a Judge, and in due time made a proposition of marriage, which was indignantly repelled by the father. At this slight "all the evil in his nature rose to the surface," and he hastened to work away the result in the death of the entire population. With this dark purpose in view, he repaired to a neighboring city and secured a box of arsenic, large enough to poison ten thousand people. His next move was to the lake from which the Weepawhas drew their supply of water. There he deposited "his deadly burden" in such a way that it would be sure to flow with the current to the reservoir. While engaged in this absorbing occupation, BROWN was surprised by the sudden appearance of the head-waiter of the "Stuyvesant Hotel," the principal place of resort in Weepawha, but to dispatch him with a "huge knife" was only the work of a moment. In a few days afterward, "a postman from Vermont" went to Weepawha, with letters for Major EPHRAIM BIGGS, the hotel-keeper, whose dead body he found stretched across the threshold of the front door. At this sight we are told that he became alarmed, and cried murder at the top of his voice. However, after waiting several minutes without hearing a response, he rushed from house to house, and soon discovered that the people were all dead! Now comes a part of the narrative without which the greatest simpleton could not be induced to believe it. While galloping away from the town, the postman discovered the unfortunate waiter lying in a pool of blood on the border of the lake. By the application of cold water he restored him to consciousness sufficiently to enable him to relate what he had seen BROWN do with the poison. "Immediately afterward he fell back and died." The farmers from the surrounding country were then collected together, and in a twinkling BROWN was traced to a hiding place close by, where they "prevailed upon him" to make a full and complete confession of his terrible crime. By way of absolution, they then strung him up to a tree as a warning to all would-be poisoners in the future. This work done, the farmers collected the bodies of the ill-fated 1,200, and buried them in one grave, so that they might be able to perpetuate the memory of the dreadful deed by erecting a mausoleum upon the spot. To those who have been in the habit of reading the news of the day, it will scarcely be necessary to say that the foregoing details have no foundation whatever in fact, although the Auckland *Herald* very modestly credits them to the Milwaukee *Independent*, a journal which, we are assured, has never existed outside the brain of the unprincipled individual with whom this extraordinary hoax originated.

MINOR TOPICS.

Should the Pope be seized with the humor of leaving Rome, he will now have an ample choice of residences open to him. A British man-of-war would be at his service, any day, to take him to Malta. M. THIERS would see him comfortably settled amid the invigorating atmosphere of the Pyrenees, or in the more genial climate of Avignon. And now comes FRANCIS JOSEPH of Austria, once a too obedient son of the Church, with the proffer of the hospitalities of the Castle of Salsburg, whence the Prince Archbishops were wont to rule their little territory. A somewhat closer resemblance might be found between Rome and Salsburg than the famous one of Flushing between Monmouth and Macedon. For, there is not only a river at both places, but there is also a cathedral, built, moreover, on precisely the same plan. The Salsburg imitation of St. Peter's is said to be a "large and imposing edifice," and is, probably, the best substitute the Pope could find in Europe for the magnificent monument to the genius of MICHAEL ANGELO.

All professions of peace and good-will, notwithstanding, the nations of Europe seem determined to continue the contest as to who shall be best prepared for war. In spite of the fact that Italy groans under a debt of some thirteen hundred millions of dollars, and of the further fact that the Italian Parliament has already voted nearly forty millions of dollars for the naval and military expenditures of the year, it is announced in a cable dispatch that the Minister of War wants two million four hundred thousand dollars more, (12,000,000 lire.) The only use that Italy can have for a large army is to repel a possible attack from France in the interests of the Holy See; France, on the other hand, is spending millions on the reorganization of her army, for the avowed purpose of regaining the lost provinces, and Germany keeps up her military expenditure for the sake of being prepared for such a contingency. It is now, as it has been for the largest portion of the century—all Europe keeps armed because France pants for glory, and will not submit to the inevitable.

Russia and Prussia have awakened to a sense of postal deficiencies, and are making active efforts to improve their mail arrangements. Baron KELNO, Russian Postmaster-General, has been at Berlin, Brussels, and the Hague, to make fresh arrangements, while Mr. STEPHAN, the high postal functionary at Berlin, has been consulting on similar matters at Paris. All this activity in progress in the Old World, suggests the question what is doing in the new as to mail matters, and the unpleasant reflection that while every other country—we believe even Australia—has long been enjoying the convenience of post-cards, the United States is still without them. In London an additional convenience has lately come into vogue in the shape of telegram cards. These can be inscribed with a message, which will be dispatched by wire, when the postal letter-box is opened into which the card is dropped—an event which there takes place about every two hours.

A writer in the London *Standard* thinks that Lord GRANVILLE'S having been compelled by gout to support himself with a crutch when replying to the Duke of RICHMOND in reference to the *Alabama* claims, is curiously illustrative of the position of the Ministry at the commencement of the session. CHATHAM, too, supported himself with a crutch when talking of the claims of this country—claims which came to be fully recognized.

We have received $2 from J. & A. for the Children's Aid Society.

Those who frequent French plays in New-York will be grieved to hear of the sad fate of a man who took much pains some time back, and with good success, to give them pleasure. Poor Mr. SAGE, the whilom manager of several French companies here, has just been murdered at Havre. He had made some money, we suppose, in Mexico, and having got to New-Orleans, sailed by a city called the *Hirondelle du Havre*. When he arrived, he appeared to be ill, and went to the Hotel de l'Europe. He was attended by a person who called himself the Doctor of the vessel. This man one night was sent to procure something from a place into a cup of tea, which he gave to SAGE, who drank it. The next day SAGE was found dead in his bed, and his companion could not be found at all. Subsequent investigation showed that the latter person was not a doctor, but had been a passenger, who, unable to pay any fare, had been taken on board by the Captain to work his way over. All SAGE'S money was gone, and PHILLIPS, the supposed assassin, is believed to have fled with it either to England or Belgium. Efforts were to be made by the Police to track and arrest him.

A knot of greedy speculators have made a "corner," it is said, in whisky. They have made enormous purchases, we are told, having bought in New-York City alone to the extent of a million of dollars, and are now in a position entirely to control the market. The idea is, we may suppose, to put up the price, as Mr. WOODWARD and his friends put up "Rock Island"—but, of course, not to run on the sand that wrecked those high-minded speculators. Of course, to perfect the analogy, it would be needful for a number of people to have sold whisky largely "short," so as to make it necessary for them to "cover" by buying from the Ring. As for much of the whisky in the market, the higher it goes the better for the public. Much of the stuff is poisonous, and the consumption of it is reported to be dangerously on the increase. Commercially speaking, the liquor has been and is dearer than it ought to be, and the best thing the public can do in any event is to respond to any attempt to make it still dearer by declining to buy it. The opportunity may prove a good one for many to emancipate themselves from an insidious habit to which, in this community especially, the temptations are strong and constant.

Mr. DWIGHT TOWNSEND has a finer talent for making himself ridiculous than any other member of the House of Representatives—which is by no means an insignificant distinction. A gentleman sent to legislate in behalf of New-York in the National Congress cuts an absurd figure when he makes blunders that would disgrace a school-boy. Mr. TOWNSEND gravely proposed in the House, on Wednesday, to refer the question at issue between America and England to Mr. JOHN BRIGHT for "final arbitrament." Messrs. DAWES and ROBERTS as gravely objected, and Mr. TOWNSEND was persuaded, albeit unwillingly, to hold his peace. It is fair to suppose that constituencies do not enjoy the follies of their chosen representatives, and after Mr. TOWNSEND has indulged in a few more of his peculiar freaks, the voters who sent him to Washington will perhaps take warning and not do so again. When next she has a chance to elect a Congressman, we hope Staten Island will at least pitch on somebody of average intelligence, and with some faint conception of the limits and courtesies of political and diplomatic affairs.

MEDICAL COLLEGES.

Bellevue Hospital Medical College Commencement.

The tenth annual commencement of Bellevue Hospital Medical College took place last evening at the Academy of Music. After prayer by Rev. ALFRED B. BEACH, D.D., chaplain of the college, Prof. AUSTIN FLINT, Jr., read the names of the graduates, 139 in number. Prof. TAYLOR, President of the Faculty, presented the graduates with diplomas, after which Prof. A. E. CROSBY, M.D., delivered an address to the young physicians constituting the graduating class. The valedictorian, BENJAMIN L. LOTHROP, being absent, his address was read by Dr. WILLIAM CLARK, of the graduating class.

Below are the names of the graduates from New-York and vicinity, the list being too long to give in full:

Charles C. Allen, Richard W. Allen, Ramon Amable, George F. Bates, Horace G. Bidwell, Joseph H. Bogart, Alfred S. Bonstead, L. Roy J. Brooks, Thos. E. Burchard, Frank E. Butler, William Carr, Martin Chandler, Charles W. Cole, George W. Cole, Jose M. Delgado, Mile M. Denton, Milton H. Farrest, Elisha George, John J. Gibney, Charles H. Greenough, Cyrus Haven, Hugh C. Hendry, James Halsey Hunt, Paul Lewis, Joseph L. Lord, Benjamin L. Lothrop, James E. Mackintosh, William H. McGee, Isaac Metzger, Aaron J. Mixsell, James Perry, Sylvester G. Pomeroy, George M. Schwenk, Douglas A. Shiley, Royal Spencer, Jr., Patrick Henry Thomas, Charles H. Turner, Henry Van Ecovenburg, Carl Emil Waechter, Harwood Wakeman.

Homœopathy—Conferring Degrees on the Students of the Homœopathic College.

The Commencement exercises of the New-York Homœopathic College, at Association Hall, last night, were relieved of much of the natural monotony of medical "commencements" by the presence of a numerous audience, largely composed of ladies, and by the well-selected music of a string band. The degree of M. D. was conferred by President S. R. WALKER on the following young gentlemen, who had passed examinations:

William H. Abercrombie, New-Jersey; Clarence W. Butler, New-York; John L. Babcock, Maine; Charles T. Beach, Connecticut; Charles Bossart, New-York; William Bradley, Kentucky; Homer C. Bridgman, (July 13, 1877,) Vermont; Wm. C. Coon, New-York; Ira A. Cushing, Massachusetts; Allen B. Carr, New-York; Wesley F. Clapp, New-York; Hestian F. Cole, (July 14, 1877,) Illinois; Harry C. Coon, New-York; Caroline F. Chandler, Indiana; William C. Fowler, New-York; James C. Gannett, Maine; George F. Hard, New-York; George S. Hull, Connecticut; Clement L. Hart, Wisconsin; Porter B. Kinne, New-Jersey; Robert S. Lane, New-York; Wm. T. Lidgey, New-York; Isaac Miller, New-York; C. Holmes McNeil, New-Jersey; Acestus L. Macomber, Michigan; Frank D. Maine, Connecticut; Claude R. Norton, New-Jersey; Geo. Osborne, Massachusetts; Henry L. Purdy, New-York; James B. Tillinghast, Rhode Island; Geo. W. Edeb, Pennsylvania; Geo. W. Seymour, New-York; Selden H. Talcott, New-York; Warren Wallace, New-Jersey; Winfield S. Wright, Maine; Henry W. Woolover, (July 1, 1873,) Illinois.

In Quality.—Alfred E. Hills, M. D.; F. Franklin, M. D.; Frank Smyth, M. D.; Chas. G. Brooks, M. D.; Geo. B. Norton, M. D.; C. L. Hart, M. D.

In his address Dr. JEO. W. DOWLING said that the new building at the corner of Third-avenue and Twenty-third-street, will be occupied during the next session and many of the disadvantages under which the College has labored will be thus removed. The new College has accommodations for 300 students.

The bill for the protection of the people against quackery, introduced in the Legislature by Dr. STEPHEN ROGERS, was very warmly complimented, although Dr. ROGERS is an Allopathic physician.

After the usual valedictories and benediction, the members of the College, the Faculty of the Opthalmic College and several prominent physicians from different parts of the country took supper at the Hoffman House.

Assault upon a Police Officer—His Assailant Applies for a Warrant and is Arrested.

Patrolman THOMAS SCULLIAN, of the Twenty-eighth Precinct Police, was assaulted and severely beaten, yesterday afternoon, by several ruffians belonging to the "Sixteenth-street gang." The officer lives at No. 436 West Seventeenth-street, and keeps a collection of pigeons and fancy birds at his residence. To guard against the depredations of the numerous petty thieves abounding in the vicinity, the officer keeps two dogs—one a bull-dog, and the other a small watch-dog—in the yard of his house. At about 2½ o'clock yesterday afternoon, while the officer was at home, it being his regular day off duty, the small dog strayed into the street, and SCULLIAN went out to bring him back. When opposite the residence of HUGH MCCOURT, No. 446 West Seventeenth-street, he found that MCCOURT and a number of young men assembled in front of his residence, had set two large dogs on the small animal. SCULLIAN endeavored to separate them, whereupon MCCOURT struck him a violent blow on the cheek. Upon SCULLIAN the assault MCCOURT, and was at once attacked by a gang of ten or twelve ruffians, who overpowered him, knocked him down, beat and kicked him in a brutal manner, and rescued the prisoner. MCCOURT then hurried down to the Jefferson Market Police Court and applied for a warrant against Officer SCULLIAN for assault and battery. The warrant was granted by Justice GOX. In the meantime Officer SCULLIAN had proceeded to the Sixteenth Precinct Police Station and obtained the assistance of two officers, by whom MCCOURT was arrested. The warrant for the arrest of the policeman was served on Capt. MCCLEARY, of the Twenty-eighth Precinct, who placed the officer under arrest. Capt. MCCLEARY says that SCULLIAN is one of his most faithful officers.

QUEEN VICTORIA.

An Insane Attempt Yesterday to Assassinate Her.

The Assailant Hoping to Obtain Justice for Ireland.

He Presents a Petition and a Pistol—Prince Arthur Knocks Him Down—Arrest of the Miscreant—Excitement in London.

LONDON, Feb. 29—Evening.—A miscreant this afternoon aimed a pistol at Queen VICTORIA, while driving on Constitution Hill, but happily without effect. The would-be assassin was promptly arrested.

Further Details of the Attack on Her Majesty—Announcement in the House of Lords—Intense Excitement.

LONDON, Feb. 29—Midnight.—The excitement to-night over the report of an attempt on the life of the Queen is intense. Extras of the evening papers appeared in rapid succession, as the confirmatory details became known. Crowds are still collected in the streets discussing the news and awaiting further particulars. An official statement of the facts was promptly made in Parliament this evening, which, when it became known outside, greatly relieved the public anxiety. While the House of Lords was in Committee, discussing the Ecclesiastical bill, Lord GRANVILLE entered and said he hoped their Lordships would excuse the sudden interruption of proceedings, but he had an announcement to make which it was desirable should be made without delay. He then proceeded to state that at 5¼ this evening, the Queen, returning from a drive, had reached Buckingham Palace. As her carriage stopped at the gate, a young man ran to the side and presented a pistol within a foot of the Queen's head. The Queen bent her head down to avoid the shot, but the pistol did not explode. The fellow in one hand held papers granting a release to the Fenian prisoners, which he shouted to the Queen to sign, threatening her at the same time with the pistol. He was instantly seized by the attendants and prevented from doing further harm. It was then found that the pistol was unloaded, and that it was of such primitive construction that if it had been loaded it probably could not have been discharged. Her Majesty was very calm, and showed the courage which she has often before exhibited. She had directed that a statement of the circumstances be immediately made in both Houses of Parliament in order to prevent exaggerated rumors.

Lord GRANVILLE said he would not dwell on the details, nor point to the contrast between the dastardly act and Tuesday's extraordinary exhibition of the nation's loyalty.

The Duke of BUCKINGHAM briefly expressed the thankfulness of the House at the escape of Her Majesty from danger.

Mr. GLADSTONE made a statement in the House of Commons similar to that of Lord GRANVILLE.

The would-be assassin was taken to the nearest Police station. He gives his name as O'CONNOR, and is about nineteen or twenty years of age. His behavior in the station was wild, and his language incoherent. He boasted that he tried to reach the Queen on Tuesday during the procession.

Another Account of the Mad Act—Prince Arthur Knocks the Would-be Assassin Down.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—As the Queen was reentering the court-yard at Buckingham Palace, after a drive, through the Park, today, ALFRED O'CONNOR, a Fenian, eighteen years of age, sprang over the wall, rushed up to the carriage and struck the Queen on the breast with an unloaded pistol, at the same time presenting a petition of amnesty for the Fenians, exclaiming "sign or die." Prince ARTHUR, who was seated in the carriage with the Queen, knocked the man down. CONNOR was seized and conveyed to prison. The Queen was perfectly calm. When CONNOR was questioned he said his design was to frighten the Queen into doing justice to Ireland.

The First Attempt on the Life of the Queen.

Meagre as the dispatches are concerning this last attempt upon the life of Queen VICTORIA, they are still sufficient to indicate coincidences with the affair of EDWARD OXFORD, in 1840, when can scarcely be merely fortuitous. That attempt was made in the month of June, shortly after the Queen's marriage to Prince ALBERT; it occurred at the same place on Constitution Hill, and, if we may judge from the time when the first telegram was received, at about the same hour. The Queen was then in the pride of her youth and beauty; she is now an old woman, and though she is today hardly as popular as she was then, the news of this affair will cause as wide-spread an indignation. But on that occasion she was supported by the courage and the affection of the Prince Consort. The best account of the attempt of OXFORD, though many were given to the public, is from his pen in a letter to his grandmother, which we reproduce for the benefit of our readers.

PRINCE ALBERT'S ACCOUNT OF THE EVENT.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, June 11, 1840.

To the Dowager Duchess of Gotha, &c.:

DEAR GRANDMAMMA: I question to give you an account of an event which might otherwise be misrepresented to you, which endangered my life and that of VICTORIA, but from which we escaped under the protection of the watchful hand of Providence. We drove out yesterday afternoon, about 6 o'clock, to pay aunt KENT a visit, and to take a turn round Hyde Park. We drove in a small phaeton. I sat on the right, VICTORIA on the left. We had hardly proceeded a hundred yards from the Palace when I noticed, on the footpath on my side, a little mean-looking man holding something toward us, and before I could distinguish what it was, a shot was fired, which almost stunned us both. It was so loud, and fired barely six paces from us. VICTORIA had just turned to the left to look at a horse, and could not, therefore, understand why her ears were ringing, as from its being so very near she could hardly distinguish that it proceeded from a shot having been fired. The horses started and the carriage stopped. I seized VICTORIA's hands, and asked if the fright had not shaken her, but she laughed at the thing.

I then looked again at the man who was still standing in the same place, but some trained and a pistol in each hand. His attitude was so affected and theatrical it quite surprised me. Suddenly he again pointed his pistol and fired a second time. This time VICTORIA also saw the shot, and stooped quickly, forward by me. The ball must have passed just above her head, to judge from the place where it was found sticking in an opposite wall. The young people who stood round us said the man, and were at first paralyzed with fright on seeing what happened, now rushed upon him. I called to the postilion to go on, and we arrived safely at ALBERT KNOTT. From there we took a short drive through the Park, partly to give VICTORIA a little air, partly also to show the public that we had not, on account of what had happened, lost all confidence in them.

Today I say very tired and knocked up by the quantity of visitors, the questions and congratulations I have had to give. You must, therefore, excuse my writing now, only thanking you for your letter which I have just received, but have not yet been able to read. My chief anxiety was lest the slight shock might have injurious to VICTORIA in her present state, but she is quite well, for I am myself. I thank Almighty God for his protection. Your dutiful grandson, ALBERT.

P. S.—The name of the culprit is EDWARD OXFORD.

He is apparently a Weaver. He is small, but quite quiet and composed.

The feeling shown throughout the country on this occasion was intense. Wherever the Queen and Prince appeared themselves in public, for many days after the occurrence, they were enthusiastically cheered; and when they went to the opera for the first time after it, the moment they entered the box," the Queen rose, "the whole house rose and cheered, waved hats and handkerchiefs, and went on for some time. "God Save the Queen," was sung, and Prince ALBERT was called for separately and much cheered.

OXFORD persisted, Lord MELBOURNE told the Queen, in having no counsel; and on being pressed by a lawyer of his acquaintance to have one, said, "The fact is, I am guilty, and shall plead guilty." He then asked Lord MELBOURNE if the Queen was here, and on his replying in the negative and thanking God for it, stretched out both his arms as if to thank God for it too. On his trial he persisted in spite of all remonstrance in recording the plea of guilty; but it was urged in his favor that as no bullet was found, therefore, the pistol could not have been loaded with ball. There was, indeed, a mark on the wall which some believe to have been made by the second shot in accordance with the letter of the Prince Consort, but others denied this and the bulk of the testimony was against such a belief. The plea was, therfore, so far allowed by the Bench that it was left as a point for the jury to decide though it was urged by the counsel for the prosecution that as OXFORD was standing on a lower level than the carriage, and had to give his pistol an upward inclination, the ball would therefore have inevitably passed over the garden wall and been lost amid the shrubberies or passed into the earth. The gardens of the Palace are so extensive as to resemble a park, and the absence of the bullet, or the material proof, as the lawyers termed it, was therefore unavoidable. OXFORD was convicted and sentenced to death, but as there was a great dislike on the part of the Queen to mar the happiness of her reign by an execution for a crime against herself, his sentence was commuted to perpetual confinement in the famous madhouse of Bedlam Hospital.

Other Attempts at Assassination.

On the 30th day of May, 1842, another attempt was made on the life of Queen VICTORIA by a man named JOHN FRANCIS, who fired a pistol at her while driving in the Park in an open carriage. The attempt failed, although the ball was afterward found not far from where the carriage was at the time of the firing. FRANCIS was arrested on the spot, and his trial lasted for some weeks, the circumstances of the case and the judicial proceedings creating great excitement in the minds of the English people, and of those belonging to nations that were friendly to England. It was rumored that the attempted assassination was a part of a plot on the part of the French people, which rumor drew forth a letter from the reigning monarch, LOUIS PHILLIPE. Subsequently an invitation was sent for Queen VICTORIA to visit the King of the French in France, and in 1843 she became his guest at the Chateau D'Eu, to the delight of the French people, who showed by their kind reception a desire to restore a friendly feeling disrupted by the thirty years' war. The prisoner, FRANCIS, was found guilty at the Old Bailey of the crime of high treason and attempt at murder, and was sentenced to be hanged; but the Queen magnanimously commuted the sentence to transportation for life.

On the 26 of July in the same year one J. W. BEAN was detected in the act of presenting a pistol at Queen VICTORIA while her carriage was passing through one of the public drives. Whether it was done with the intention of gaining public notoriety, or really with the intent to kill the Queen, was never fully determined before the jury, and, after a patient trial, BEAN was sentenced to only eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labor.

On the 20th of June, 1850, an assault was made on the Queen by a supposed crazy man, named PATE, who struck her with either a cane or whip while walking in Kensington Garden. This act also created a great deal of excitement, the indignation of the people being as much aroused by the idea of striking a woman, as by the insult to the Queen of England.

THE KNIGHTS OF ST. CRISPIN.

Alleged Outrages on the Part of Society Men on Strike—Two Men from One Shop Discharged.

On Monday last the machine-operator and two other men at TASKER's shoe warehouse were followed by a menacing crowd as they left business, and they applied at the Station-house, in Chambers-street, for protection. FERGUSON, the leader of the Crispins, followed them, and told the Police Captain he would see that they were not molested. Under his protection they left, but near Broadway, a crowd collected, and one of the operators was struck by a brickbat, and so severely hurt that he has not been able to leave his bed since.

On Tuesday morning a man named BOYD was warned to quit his work in Eastman's shop, under a threat of being "laid out." He declined to obey this order, and the same afternoon he was struck with a slung-shot, and now lies in the hospital in a precarious condition. This being represented to Superintendent KELSO, Police patrols were stationed to guard the Tasker establishment, and the place is under constant surveillance of a Crispin picket, who patrols in front the whole day. Under this state of terrorism the persons in Mr. TASKER's employ grow fewer and fewer, and the operators have been disabled.

The store of Mr. FOX, of No. 66 Cortlandt-street, is also on strike. There is no question of wages. Mr. FOX says enough, the Crispins admit, but he says that the Crispins claim the right to direct who shall go and who shall stay in his shop, and he consequently refused to employ the Crispin men. On Monday last, it is said, FERGUSON, accompanied by a number of men, entered the Fox shop and ordered the hands at work to leave. Mr. FOX remonstrated, but was assailed with a volley of oaths, and told that the shop was under their control. An angry altercation took place, which was ended by Mr. FOX seizing a cavalry saber and ordering the Fergusonians to leave. Some of them then left the door retreated, but FERGUSON and another man drew revolvers. A disturbance ensued, and FERGUSON received a blow on the arm. Just in time to prevent bloodshed, some one shouted that the Police were coming. FERGUSON and his party then left, but returned soon after with an officer to come to terms, which was refused in the same manner as before. Since then Mr. FOX has had no further annoyance.

The Erie Railway Suicide.

Coroner BERRY, of Paterson, yesterday held an inquest on the body of the unknown man who committed suicide in an Erie Railway car near Paterson, on Wednesday. LUIGI BALLETTO, an Italian, who keeps a fruit-stand on Railway-avenue, thought he recognized the body as that of a distant relative, living on Bleecker-street, New-York. This supposition is confirmed by the name PAULO BALLETTI found on a slip of paper in the pocket of deceased. If the fact is as supposed, the suicide has a mother living in New-York, who will have been sent for her, so that the body will probably be positively identified. The suicide was done in so public a manner that there was no doubts of the facts, and the jury returned a verdict in accordance therelo.

Suicide of an Unknown Man.

Yesterday afternoon an unknown man was found hanging on a new building in Seventy-fourth-street, between Third and Fourth avenues, and it was evident that he had committed suicide. When found life had been extinct for some hours. The deceased is described as being about thirty-five years of age, five feet six inches in height, wearing a sandy mustache and goatee. He was attired in mixed cent and vest, gray striped pantaloons, green plaid shirt, white shirts, boots and brown felt hat. The body was cut down and taken to the East Fifty-ninth-street Police Station, where an inquest will be held.

The Colored Jubilee Singers Denied Rooms at a Hotel in Jersey City.

The scene enacted by the Colored Jubilee Singers, at Newark, a week ago, at the Continental Hotel, was yesterday re-enacted at Jersey City. After the evening performance the manager of the singers dashed to the sudbuck house, he had engaged for the party, at Mr. JOHN WANNER's American Hotel, on Montgomery-street, and on going there last evening they were told that, as colored persons, they could not be allowed to stay. A number of people in the audience arose and volunteered to take portions of the party to other private hotels, but the manager stated that he had returned to New-York and engaged rooms there.

SALE OF ARMS TO FRANCE.

Investigation by the House Committee on Expenditures in the War Department—Testimony of Former Secretary Belknap—Mr. Sumner Invited to Appear.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—The French Army investigation actually began today before the House Committee on Expenditures in the War Department. Gen. BELKNAP appeared in response to the request of the Committee, and gave his testimony under oath. It will be observed that he is exceedingly explicit upon all points, particularly as to the action of the Government in respect to any knowledge of sales of arms to agents of either France or Germany, and as to any knowledge of any fraudulent action on the part of any officer of the Government. On this point his testimony bears sharply on CHAMBRUN, who dealt largely in information, but who, when invited into the most confidential precincts of the War Department, with absolute protection for his confidences, failed to give the Secretary anything but a shrug of the shoulders and a broad insinuation. Mr. SUMNER was invited to be present and give any facts which he might have bearing upon the investigation, but he neither came nor acknowledged the invitation. The Committee adjourned for a week at the close of their meeting, and the Senate having passed the resolution of investigation, Mr. WILLIAMS, Chairman of the House Committee, will probably report to the House and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the matter.

Detailed Report of the Proceedings Before the Investigating Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—The House Committee on Expenditures of the War Department today commenced their investigation into the sale of arms. The members present were Messrs. WILLIAMS, of Indiana, BARNES, SELDEN and ACKER. Mr. KINSELLA was absent. Gen. BELKNAP, Secretary of War, having been sworn, answered in reply to a question, that from the 1st of June, 1870, to the year ending June, 1871, the amount realized from the sale of arms was $2,748,942. He further stated that Circular Government No. 89, dated Jan. 24, 1872, includes all the prisoners from June, 1870, to July, 1871, the nature of the articles to whom sold, and the month and year of sales, &c.

NO ARMS SOLD TO FRANCE.

In the course of further examination as to sales to REMINGTON, he said that while he was at the Post-office Department, Mr. KELLER, Chief of the Ordnance Bureau, now deceased, came in and handed him the following dispatch:

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 12.

To W. G. Spaires, Arlington House, Washington:

REMINGTON telegraphs if you have not yet bought for the Government you will be ready to receive tenders. I denied if the Government bought yesterday all arms entering France are liable to be taken as national property and paid for according to appraisement. Prices are ruinously depressed. Prices will find their profit small. Competition with you has been tested and settled.

The foregoing is a copy of a telegram left at the Ordnance office by H. C. SQUIRES on Oct. 14, 1870. Gen. BELKNAP said he instantly sent word to Gen. DYER by Mr. KELLER, that the sales to REMINGTON must be immediately stopped, for it was known that Mr. REMINGTON was agent of the French Government. Gen. BELKNAP then went in his carriage to the War Department, and either found Mr. DYER in his office or sent for him, and personally said that the sale to REMINGTON must stop. By referring to the Executive document it would be found the last sale to Mr. REMINGTON was 50,000 Springfield muskets. They were not delivered till Oct. 30, though purchased before that time and before the delivery of the telegram. Gen. BELKNAP repeated over and over again to Gen. DYER that no sales should be made to any agent of the French or Prussian Governments. No arms were sold to any agent of the French Government to his knowledge.

THE WAR AND TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

He had already stated the amount realized from the sale of arms, &c. It was $2,748,942; of this sum $2,400,236 60 had been paid into the Treasury, the proof of which is on file; $120,000 was reported in the hands of depositors on the 30th of June, 1871; the balance was expended for preparing stores for the sale, fitting them up, &c. In reply to a question by the Chairman as to the discrepancies between the accounts of Mr. WARD and the Treasury Department, Secretary BELKNAP said he was aware of it again. The close of the fiscal year of the War Department was the same as that of the Treasury Department, namely, the 30th of June. As to the Treasury books showing the amounts received for the arms, Mr. BELKNAP explained that in almost every case payment was made by check. Forced sales, sometimes at from twenty per cent. are observed on large transactions to secure the United States, and the checks are carried as quickly as possible, and paid into the hands of the Government agents. The full amounts are received by the agents, generally in New-York, and prior to the delivery of any arms to the purchasers. The depositing officer receives from the United States Assistant Treasurer a certificate of deposit. The money is turned over from time to time and drawn against the Assistant Treasurer in favor of the Treasurer. The certificate is transmitted through the Secretary of War, to be covered into the Treasury to the credit of the receiving officer. In answer to a question as to what time the Secretary of the Treasury closes up his annual report, and whether it is not the 30th of June, Gen. BELKNAP could not answer positively, but presumed it was. The Post-Master-General refused to make up the report of the Secretary to the end of the fiscal year; but the Secretary is not required to have his report ready until the 20th of November. He aimed to inform Congress of what occurred between the 1st of July and the 20th of November. Although technically the report is made up to the close of June, the information contained therein is beyond that date.

NO ARMS SOLD TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

The Chairman having asked whether any of the parties designated in Executive document No. 89 were purchasing arms during the period named were agents of any foreign Government, Mr. BELKNAP responded, not to his knowledge, and not until October did he hear any such intimation, through the receipt of a telegram, already read to the Committee, when, as he had already stated, he stopped the sales to REMINGTON. He was not aware that REMINGTON was an agent of the French Government. In reply to a question, Gen. BELKNAP referred to a letter of Gen. DYER, addressed him, dated Jan. 25, 1872, as giving a proper explanation, namely:

At the close of the war of the rebellion the Ordnance Department found itself in possession of large quantities of arms, munitions and other ordnance stores no longer required, and which it was to the interest of the United States to dispose of, because either of their perishable character, the constant expense of their care, or their obsolete or unsuitable patterns. At first the sales were made at auction, but subsequently—July 22, 1868—Congress passed a law giving the Secretary of War authority to sell, at private sale, after due public notice, the old cannon, arms, and other ordnance stores which are damaged or otherwise unsuitable for United States military service, or which may be found in excess of needs, because the net proceeds of such sales, after paying all proper expenses of sale and transportation to the place of sale, to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States; and since the passage of this act, ordnance stores have been disposed of to individuals, at private sale, as provided by law, except in a few instances when sales at auction were deemed preferable and to the interest of the Government.

ON UNSERVICEABLE ARMS SOLD.

Gen. BELKNAP then read a detailed statement showing that the number of arms at the United States Arsenals at the commencement of the Franco-Prussian war, in 1870, was 1,000,000, and the number of serviceable arms at the close of the war was 882,609. In reply to the question by the Chairman whether any arms suitable for military service had been sold, Gen. BELKNAP answered: "No, Sir; we were getting rid of unsuitable arms in order to adopt better ones; about a thousand new arms by way of experiment have been placed in the hands of the army superior to those previously made." Gen. BELKNAP having been asked by Mr. ACKER as to who judges of the fitness of arms for public service, replied the duties of the Chief of Ordnance are defined by law. He has, with the supervision and direction of the Secretary of War, direction of all matters connected with ordnance and ordnance stores; but Gen. DYER, in a letter of this kind, consults with the Secretary of War, who gives his opinion as to whether he shall sell or not. Gen. BELKNAP also presented to the Committee a copy of his letter, already published, addressed to the Secretary of State, in reply to one from the latter, copying the allegations in regard to the purchase of arms made by REMINGTON to the President of the Commission of Armament at Tours.

THE AMMUNITION.

Gen. BELKNAP, in response to a question whether some of the arms could not have been sold without furnishing ammunition, said the ammunition was made in effect the sale of the arms. As far as his knowledge went, it was always considered proper to manufacture ammunition to effect sales to private parties.

THE FRANCO-GERMAN FLOT.

In answer to a question, the Secretary said that the Marquis DE CHAMBRUN came to him with a note from M. BELLOUET, French Charge d'Affaires, requesting him to repair to the War Department, to make the investigation ordered by the French Government; and, in response to another question, he said he had seen it stated that officers of the Government were interested in the sale of arms.

The interrogatory was put, Do you know of your own knowledge that any Government officer in the United States in the sale of arms directly or otherwise?

Answer.—I do not. A very strong statement or intimation in connection with this matter was made to me by the Marquis DE CHAMBRUN, Jan. 29, last. I asked him to name the persons, and then we met together in my private room, when I again repeated it. The Marquis said persons gave a statement over his signature, to pay statement by which I could convict of fraud any one of these officers or other persons connected with the Government. He did not do so. I kept a memorandum of the statement they had made to me, but it contained nothing from which I can obtain information relative to any officer of the Government. I believe he did give me specific information, but he had none. Our conversation went further, but I got nothing bearing on the point.

MR. SUMNER INVITED TO TESTIFY.

The Chairman said he had invited Senator SUMNER to appear and to give any facts he might have at his command, but he had met none forward. In order further to arrange for the examination and to obtain official statements, which the Secretary indicated his readiness to furnish, being desirous that the investigation should be thorough, the Committee adjourned until next Tuesday week.

POLITICS IN LOUISIANA.

Address of the Democratic State Central Committee—The Recent Coalition of the Custom Wing of the Republicans.

The Democratic State Central Committee of Louisiana have published an address, in which they say that they have called the State Convention at a date earlier than would have been done under ordinary circumstances, to secure and perfect a thorough organization of the Democratic Party throughout the State. In reference to the recent action of the Democratic members of the Legislature they offer the following explanation:

"The Democratic members of the General Assembly were numerically too weak to cope, unaided by Republican votes, with the party of the Executive in the General Assembly. Gov. WARMOTH had had the article in the Constitution rendering him ineligible for a second term eliminated, and, in view of his political isolation, in the defection of the colored voters, it became manifest that his surrender of any of his political power or patronage would practically result in his abdication. Finally or willingly deceived were those who thought that he could personally or politically afford to modify a single law in the interest of the people. The view first entertained by your Committee, that the maintenance of all these infamous and oppressive laws was the political life-blood of the Governor, has been verified by the fact that, although the Legislature has been with full Houses legislating for two weeks, with a majority in each House of his political allegiance, the Executive, as he intended, has succeeded in falsifying his professions for reform by defeating every effort to that end that has been made in the Legislature. The alternative presented to engage in a hazardous partnership with the Governor by fraudulently defeat the popular will, and impose upon ourselves the debasing humiliation of electing him Governor, or to endeavor by honorable means to obtain the desired relief to our people.

These views and considerations induced us to approve and cordially indorse the honorary arrangement made with the Anti-Warmoth Republicans for certain special remedial purposes. It involved only a question of voting in the two Houses of parties having a common interest and a common object. No compromise of principle was asked or given by either party. The greatest caution was used in the propositions agreed to, that no political significance could be predicated of this reformatory combination. It was to stand as it has accepted, by the very limitation of its object, and each party has emerged from the combined effort with its political integrity unimpaired, its political attitude unchanged, and its aims unbiased by past action."

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

A Glance Over the Field—Both Sides Confident—A Sharp Contest Probable.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 29.—It is of course impossible to predict with any degree of certainty the result of the election in this State, which takes place a week from next Tuesday. The principal parties are so evenly matched that the triumph of either cannot be surprising to any calm observer. The campaign is of more than usual interest, as it involves the election of a United States Senator, and opens the Presidential contest, and, in fact, seems to be more of a national than a State canvass. Seldom, if ever, has there been so active and spirited a contest in this State as the one now going on. Each party is being conducted by the ablest political managers in the State, namely: Hon. E. H. ROLLINS, for the Republicans, and Hon. JOHN G. SINCLAIR, for the Democrats, and each is laboring with the most untiring energy and zeal to achieve a victory for his party. Both Mr. ROLLINS and Mr. SINCLAIR have something at stake in the election, as they are probably the nominated by their respective parties as candidates for Senator. Each has claims that cannot be disregarded by his party, and as the election of Senator depends upon the Legislature to be elected this year, each is of course stimulated to the greatest exertion. The Republicans claim that they shall elect their candidate for Governor, Mr. STARK, by the people, have a majority in the House, and carry the Senate by one or two majority; that the election of last year was no true test of their strength in the State, but that they allowed it to go by default; that the defeat was due not to popular sentiment, but to general apathy and discontinue in their own ranks, caused, in part, by unpopular nominations. On the other hand, the Democrats are equally confident of success and claim that they shall re-elect Gov. WEST by the people, have a working majority in the House and elect six Senators and defeat a choice in one or two other districts. They also claim three of the Councilors, and that they shall carry Merrimack, Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Cook Counties. They argue that the result last year was due to the disastrous action of a minority of the people with the management of State and national affairs, and claim that the same causes exist now, but to a greater degree in national affairs, and that there is no more harmony in the Republican ranks now than there was last year. There is an army of speakers in the field and more coming.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 29.—Judge R. B. CARPENTER, of South Carolina, addressed the Democracy of Nashua this evening. His denunciations of the Administration were severe. At Manchester, Judge FITZMAN, of Massachusetts, and Dr. BLACKMER, the temperance candidate for Governor of New-Hampshire, addressed the Prohibitionists this evening.

Geology of New-Jersey.

Prof. GEORGE H. COOK, of New-Brunswick, State Geologist of New-Jersey, in his annual report, just completed, gives an interesting account of the operations of his corps, during the past year, in examining the mineral resources and the soils of the State. An important feature of the work has been the surveying and mapping out of the lands liable to overflow in the valley of the Passaic, Ehippany and Rockaway Rivers, on the Walkill in Sussex, and the Beaver in Warren. A large sum which previous has been made for the expense of the survey expires next year, when the special work upon drainage, natural fertilizers, soils and agriculture, iron-ores and mining will be completed. The subject of drainage receives much attention, and the plans of the geologist, if carried out, would not only reclaim much waste land, but would drive away the malarious diseases which now render almost uninhabitable large sections, and would add to the attractiveness of important parts of the State. In the valley of the Wallkill the swamp and marshy grounds known as the "Drowned Lands," lie in Sussex County, New-Jersey, and in Orange County, New-York, amounting nearly up to Goshen. The chief obstruction to the flow of the streams is a heavy deposit of drift-earth and bowlders, three miles and a half west of Goshen, in Orange County. The Wallkill, it is stated, found a passage over this bank, but did not cut the town to Goshen, and the water remained dammed up in a pond, filling the valley for twenty miles south, and in some places spreading out to a width of four miles. The channel on this bar may be deepened easily, and at very moderate expense in cutting off bends in the streams would shorten its course several miles, and the removal of a few bowlders in the channel would give a uniform and lively current to the Wallkill through the whole length of the drowned lands. Both New-York and New-Jersey are largely interested in having the improvement carried out.

The value of these lands, where they have been successfully drained, can hardly be overestimated. In the vicinity of Chester, Orange County, the drained land is rectangular and cultivated. Onions have been a specially successfully crop; $1,400 worth having, in many cases, been taken from a single acre of this black ground. Near Florida, in the same county, is a field of the land, from which the owner claims he had taken 120 bushels of ears of corn per acre for fifteen years in succession. Potatoes, also, yield enormous crops in this soil. For meadows and pasturage it is all admirably adapted. The carrying out of this work would change an naughty waste into a field of rural beauty and riches. The report, with map and profiles, is presented in the pamphlet.

The report reviews the census returns, showing the growth of the agricultural resources of the State by an improved system of tillage, the judicious use of manures and restorative crops. The average value of farm lands in New-Jersey is claimed to be much greater than the neighboring States.

Much space is given to the best material to be used for roads and manner of working them, and several pages of the report are filled with particulars relative to the mining interests and new discoveries of minerals in the northern parts of the State, especially of magnetic iron ore, hematite, zinc ore, arsenical ore, mica, limestone and lime, &c.

Suspected Death from Suffocation.

AUGUST GERHART, a German, thirty-eight years of age, was found insensible in his bed, at No. 22 First-street, yesterday morning, and died soon after. As the gas-burner was found turned on and the room filled with the vapor, it is supposed that death was caused by suffocation from gas. The deceased, who is connected with a highly respectable family in Germany, was employed as a clerk in a store at No. 41 Cedar-street.

NOTES FROM THE PEOPLE.

A Card.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your issue of this date an article appears, which we think unfairly reflects upon his Honor, Mr. Justice CARDOZO, of the Supreme Court. We were of the counsel in the case of MAGAN against WALSH referred to. The action was tried before Judge CARDOZO about two years ago. The testimony upon the trial was taken by the official stenographer of the Court. We were book, until very recently, under the impression that a copy of the testimony had been furnished by the stenographer to his Honor, Judge CARDOZO, but now find that no copy of such testimony had been furnished to his Judge, for which reason he could not intelligently have decided the case.

It further turns out that the stenographer's notes taken upon the trial have been lost. For these reasons a motion has been made by the plaintiff's counsel, and granted by the Court, directing a retrial of the action.

We beg you to insert this explanation of the case, in justice to Judge CARDOZO, as neither of us have any ground to complain of him.

H. F. TOWNSEND,
of counsel for plaintiff.
NELSON SMITH,
of counsel for defendant.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Feb. 29, 1872.

Politics in Missouri.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The studied malice and conspicuous treachery of the New-York *Tribune* are winning for it a proud pre-eminence among true Republicans in this section. Its attempt to belittle the recent Republican Convention in this State, held at Jefferson City on the 2d inst., is not the expected, but some of its comments are so disingenuous, and based so little in truth, as to challenge contradiction. In a recent issue, the *Tribune* says:

"Missouri is not likely to elect Collectors of Internal Revenue and Post-masters in the Liberal Republican Convention, whatever other official ridden States may do. The State Republican Convention at Jefferson City, yesterday, settled this question in advance by refusing to renominate President GRANT."

I was a delegate to that Convention, and I assert that the Convention not only did not refuse to renominate GRANT, but that every mention of his name during the whole proceedings was received with enthusiasm, and, though not formally instructed for GRANT, every delegate to the National Convention is understood to be heart and soul for him. There were considerations of local policy, not easily explained, nor of much interest to your readers, which induced the Convention to refrain from a positive and formal instruction for GRANT; but the resolutions indorsing his Administration were received with about after about of approbation, and it was with difficulty that the enthusiastic mass could be restrained from nominating and instructing for GRANT then and there. The statement that the Convention "refused to nominate" GRANT is a falsehood; no such effort was made, and the sentiment of the Convention was overwhelmingly in favor of his renomination.

While on the subject I may be permitted to say that the Convention was the largest delegate convention ever assembled in the State, and that a more earnest, united, harmonious and determined set of Republicans never met together on any occasion. There were 625 delegates present. Every county in the State was represented, except in three or four, and in each section of the country are practically inaccessible, and the proceedings were marked by a degree of harmony and enthusiasm seldom witnessed. The Republican Party in Missouri is united, compact, thoroughly organized, and eager for the fray. We are all sick and tired of the defection of Senator BROWN, and Co., who for two years past have been in secret alliance with the Democracy. As we have survived that treachery, so we shall outlive the covert attacks from the *Tribune*, and in due time we expect to attend the political funeral of all these recreant Republicans. O. M. W.

SEDALIA, Mo., Monday, Feb. 26, 1872.

Gas Bills.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

As you have of late devoted a large part of your columns to the exposure of various abuses, especially those connected with that grasping monopoly, the modern gas company, I venture to add a few words upon this fruitful subject. When we received one of our late gas bills, (that from Dec. 16 to Jan. 16,) we found to our amazement that it was double our usual bill. We knew, as all families do, the amount of gas ordinarily burned, and found upon comparison that, while we were charged an advance of precisely 100 per cent. upon the two Winter months of last year, we had burned, upon a liberal calculation, twenty-five per cent. more, leaving an overcharge of seventy-five per cent. Upon inquiry, we discovered that our neighbors were complaining in the same way—their bills, like ours, were absurdly exorbitant. Complaint at the office met with the usual polite attention which gas companies exhibit. References to last year's bills, showing what our average consumption of gas had been, were answered by the very probable assertion that our register was very likely out of order. When the man whose duty it is to examine the register came upon his next visit, and—we mildly suggested some error, he was as snappish and impertinent—well, as employes of gas companies usually are, which is saying quite enough, as your readers well know. The next bill in the same way showed an absolute overcharge of fifty or sixty per cent., perhaps more. The only way in which I can account for it is that, as there is some likelihood of our being reduced to a normal extent through the overthrow of the Ring, the gas companies mean to show themselves equal to the emergency by relieving the City from what might otherwise prove plethoric wealth. I will mention that as ours is the home of three brown-stone fronts, I suppose that all are equally interested in the good work.

It is a pleasant reflection that not only do we have no "servants of the public" in this favored city, but that the public are such obedient servants of the monopolists as they have been pleased to make them. It is a pleasant thing to know that, in the Metropolis of what we are fain to call the only free country in the world, we can be cheated out of our money *ad libitum* with no chance of redress, have life and limb endangered by irresponsible and absolute railway companies, and our streets left in such a state as to invite pestilence, while the only hope left us of ever bettering our condition is thrown agitation in the public journals, a resource of which most fortunately no monopolists have as yet been able to deprive us. R.

Unpaidable Case of Life Insurance.

A Hartford life insurance company has recently been called upon to adjust a loss caused by the death of Miss EUNICE WHITNEY, of Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, in August, 1870, in the ninety-third year of her age. The *Courant* gives the following details of the case:

"She was insured twenty-five years ago by Mr. ABRAM A. OAKLEY, of Columbia County, New-York, for his own benefit. Mr. OAKLEY probably expected to realize handsomely after a few payments, but the venerable spinster of three score and ten didn't die, and after some years becoming discouraged at the constant drain upon his resources, he assigned the policy to one PETER CONKLING. The latter bore the brunt of annual payments for seven years, and gave it up as a bad job, assigning the policy to JAMES CONKLING, who was plucky to the end, and paid regularly up to the year of his death, which occurred when Miss WHITNEY was nineteen years of age. Meanwhile, the policy had become famous in the office, and No. "1 Gilt" was looked upon as a veritable curiosity in life underwriting. After Mr. CONKLING's death his executors made the payments, and so much a success had it become that they made one payment after her death, which they did not carry for several months, reaching to a hundred miles away. This of course will be refunded. Two executors will receive the amount of the policy, $1,200, which is about half the amount paid in premiums by them and their predecessors.

Unprecedented Bargain at a Blind Blacksmith.

From the Wilmington (N. C.) Journal, Feb. 28.

We learn that a gentleman from Brunswick County, who some years ago emigrated to the far West, has lately returned home, to find that his wife, believing him dead, had married another man, by whom she has had one child. He found the man reduced to poverty, and poor as a church mouse when he left here, but is now worth some $60,000, has succeeded in regaining the person and the affections of his legitimate wife.

Earthquake Shock in Tennessee.

From the Knoxville Press, Feb. 27.

About 4 o'clock yesterday morning many of our citizens were awakened by the jarring of the houses, rattling of the windows, and a loud noise resembling a roll of thunder, which seemed to come from the north-east and go away to the south-west. Then the sound or noise was the shock of an earthquake in the general impression. By some mysterious

noise and jarring was reported in other parts of the Union. To the traveler, or any person, Virginia and Georgia Railroad, building is shaken as if some heavy, solid, shaft had been sent against the structure, or two gentlemen engaged in a fistic encounter on the floor of the building, which is very heavy, and well made. Return reports of accidents at Powell's Station, on the Knoxville and Ohio Railroad, ten miles from the city, the shock seems to have been felt there; it was in fact somewhere in the neighborhood, one gentleman declaring that he believed it had started all the dampers on the roof of his house from their fastenings.

Another Improved Movement.

The removal of the Grover & Baker Sewing-machine Company from the iron-front building near Broome-street, to the corner of Broadway and Tenth-street, adjoining Grace Church, is the latest noticeable occurrence in the up-town movement. The new location is well selected, and the building, when the alterations are completed, will be an additional attraction to a locality which already contains some of the finest retail establishments in the City. During alterations the sales-rooms and offices of the Company will be on the second floor, which is temporarily fitted up for the purpose.—*Express.*

Schuyler, Hartley & Graham,
NOS. 2 JOHN-ST. AND 10 MAIDEN-LANE,
WATCHES, WATCH CHAINS, A CHOICE STOCK, AT CLOSE PRICES.
—*Advertisement.*

Removal.

GROVER & BAKER SEWING-MACHINE CO. have removed to Nos. 783 and 785 Broadway, corner of Tenth-street.—*Advertisement.*

"There was an old gentleman in Brighton, last year."

And he spent most of his time looking at the town clock. If, however, he had owned one of the great Geneva Watch Company's watches, he would have been able to do much better, for the reason that he would have had in his pocket a much better authority. This celebrated Company has lately become bankrupt, and has ordered its assets to sell off its whole stock, worth over $1,000,000, at any price which can be obtained. As a consequence, its agents are selling gold watches for $15 each, and silver as low as $8, at the store which they have taken, No. 765 Broadway.—*Advertisement.*

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES.

THE NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES, published THIS MORNING, contains the very latest telegraphic and general news; editorials on matters of current interest; a page of

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The following is a review of the principal transactions at the Exchange Salesroom, Feb. 29, the sales noted being respectively made by the auctioneers named:

By MULLER, WILKINS & Co., at public auction, the three-story high-stoop brown-stone front house and lot No. 27 West One Hundred and Thirtieth-street, north side, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, sold for $24,000; purchaser, JOHN CROMWELL. The four-story brown-stone front store dwelling and lot, No. 181 Second-avenue, east side, between Forty-second and Forty-third streets, sold for $18,250; purchaser, GEORGE ANDERSON, and the building on the south side of East One Hundred and Ninth-street, between Fifth and Madison avenues, sold for $4,850; purchaser, ROWLAND DAVIES.

By HENRY N. CAMP, at public auction, the lot of land, with building thereon, known as No. 106 Wooster-street, south west corner of Broome-street, in size 18.4 by 75, sold for $26,000, and the three-story brick house and lot No. 117 Wooster-street, west side, between Prince and Houston streets, sold for $18,250; purchaser of both pieces, JAMES GLASS. The figures realized may be termed fair.

By A. J. BLEECKER, SON & Co., by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, under the direction of PHILO T. RUSSELL, Esq., referee, a three-story brick house and lot on the south side of Fifty-fifth-street, 20 feet 8 inches west of Eleventh-avenue, sold for $6,000, the sum total, including the amount of the mortgage on the property with interest, being as stated $2,134. Purchaser J. D. DAVISON, the defendant in the foreclosure suit. Hoffer's-lane is between Fifty-second and Fifty-third streets.

By JOSEPH MCGUIRE, at a receiver's sale, by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of EDWARD LEONARD, Esq., receiver, a lease of the property known as No. 173 Broadway, situate on the north-west corner of Broadway and Cortlandt-street, embracing a lot 21 by 100, with the four-story and basement iron and stone building thereon, lately, in part, occupied by the New-Amsterdam Fire Insurance Company, the lease sold being disposed of in a portion of the effects of that Company; with and sold with the office furniture, consisting of sofas, counters, desks, &c., was also sold. The lease is one for fifteen years, dated May 1, 1867, the annual rent being $19,000 per year, with taxes and assessments added. It brought $30,200, the purchaser being Mr. JAMES A. ALEXANDER. The auction was well and fairly conducted, plenty of bidders being in the room, and the sum realized was larger than it was anticipated would be the case prior to the sale.

In addition to the above sales, real estate as follows was offered by Messrs. MULLER & Co., and the bids noted received, but no transfer of title effected: Four-story brown-stone front store, dwelling and lot, No. 609 Second-avenue, adjoining the premises above noticed as sold, $14,100 bid. Premises No. 446 Canal-street, near Hudson-street, embracing a lot 25x98, with three-story brick building thereon, $27,500 bid. Premises Nos. 146 West Twenty-seventh-street, south side, between Sixth and Ninth avenues, comprising a three-story English basement brown-stone front house and lot, $12,500 bid, and two building lots on the south side of West Fortieth-street, 219 feet west of Fifth-avenue, each 25 by 98.9, $9,000 bid for one and $12,000 for the other. The following adjourned sales of legal sales especially directed the day's business: Blanks M. Miller, sale of lot on the north-west corner of Third-avenue and One Hundred and Third-street, adjourned until Thursday of next week, March 7. By Messrs. BLEECKER & Co., sale of premises Nos. 126 and 128 Elm-street, near Broome, adjourned also to March 7, and by MULLER, WILKINS & Co., sale of house and lot on Fourteenth-street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, adjourned without day.

Today at the Exchange, at auction, a valuable property on East Tenth-street, near Broadway, will be offered by C. H. LUDLOW & Co., also, a house and lot on Clinton-place, between Mercer and Greene-streets. Legal sales of tenement property located on Mulberry, near Spring-street, and on the north-west corner of Third-avenue and Sixty-third-street, will, in addition, be conducted by JOSEPH MCGUIRE, while at another legal auction the sale of a house and lot on East One Hundred and Twentieth-street, between First and Second avenues, is also advertised for today by A. J. BLEECKER, Son & Co.

At private sale, Wm. H. RAYNOR, No. 84 Pine-street, reports having recently disposed of the following City real estate: Three lots on the north side of Fifty-seventh-street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, together forming a plot 125 by an average depth of 98 feet, sold for $25,000, and four lots on the south side of the Grand Boulevard and One Hundred and Forty-sixth-street, with two lots in rear, forming on the street, sold together for $26,000. Mr. RAYNOR also reports the sale by another broker, without stating name, of two lots on the north side of Eighty-fourth-street, 150 feet east of River-side avenue, for $9,000.

Exchange Sales—Thursday, Feb. 29.

NEW-YORK.

By Muller, Wilkins & Co.

3-story high-stoop brown-stone h. and l., No. 27 West 130th-st., n. s., 18 ft. e. of 6th-av., lot 18.4 x 99.11, (near the 2d), house 21 ft. deep $18,000

3-story brown-stone store, dwelling and lot, No. 609 2d-av., s. s., 46.8 ft. n. of 42d-st., lot 20.11 x 74.4, x 8 feet irregular, 125 ft. s. of 40th-st. Rx. 100.11 14,100

By Joseph N. Camp.

House and lot, No. 88 Wooster-st., s. w. corner Broome-st., lot 18.11x75, house of little value $26,000

3-story brick h. and l., No. 117 Wooster-st., w. s., 212.4 ft. s. of Houston-st., lot 18x100 27,500

By J. J. Bleecker, Son & Co.

3-story and basement high-stoop brown-stone h. and l., n. s. of 55th-st., 20 ft. w. of 6th-av., lot 20 ft. 8 in. x 100.5, (Rx. $2,134), subject to covenant of renewal, &c., ground rent $600 per annum $10,500

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REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF SIXTY-TWO VALUABLE LOTS, SITUATE ON 8TH, ST. NICHOLAS AND 9TH AVS., THE BOULEVARD, 126TH, 127TH, 128TH AND MANHATTAN STS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, F. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, March 5, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the executors of ROBERT ROGERS, Esq., deceased, the following lots:

Fifteen lots in the block bounded by 126th, 127th and Manhattan sts., 8th Nicholas and 9th avs.

Six lots east side of 9th-av., commencing on north-east corner of 126th-st.

Four lots, south side of 126th-st., 100 feet east of 9th-av.

Five lots on Manhattan-st., between 9th and 10th avs.

Seven lots at the junction of Manhattan and 128th sts.

One lot, north-east corner of the Boulevard and 128th-st.

The above described lots being in the immediate vicinity of the Morningside Park, and fronting on the classes formed by New-av., on Nicholas-av., Manhattan, 126th and 128th sts., and by 9th-av., Manhattan and 128th sts., are most desirably located, and rapidly enhancing in value.

TERMS—Seventy-five per cent of the purchase money may remain on bond and mortgage.

SALE PEREMPTORY TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

THOMAS H. WALTER, Executor,

HARRIET A. WALTER, Executrix,

Of the estate of James B. Walter, deceased.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE—BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VALUABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY, EXCHANGE-PLACE, BROAD, SOUTH AND PEARL STREETS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, F. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, March 12, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of ROBERT ROGERS, Esq., referee:

THE EXCHANGE-PLACE.—The three lots of land, together with the four and a half story marble-front building thereon, situate on the northerly side of Exchange-place, between William and Broad sts., and known as Nos. 41 and 43, being together 39 feet in width by 100 feet in depth, by 36 feet on the easterly, and 34.3 feet on the westerly line.

BROAD AND SOUTH STREETS.—The plot of land, together with the four-story French roof brick building thereon, situate on the north-east corner of Broad and South sts., and part as Nos. 127 and 129 Broad-st., and No. 18 South-st., being 42.3 feet on South-st., and 64.9 feet on Broad-st.

PEARL-ST.—The four-story brick store and lot, situate on the north-westerly corner of Pearl and Platt sts., and known as No. 239 Pearl-st., being 16.10 feet on Pearl-st., 24.3 feet on the rear and 30.11 feet on Platt-st.

Maps at the office of the undersigned, 111 Broadway.

ROBERT G. TITUS, Attorney,

No. 56 Broadway.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF CHOICE BUILDING SITES ON WASHINGTON HEIGHTS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, F. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, MARCH 12, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

BROADWAY.—Thirty-one lots on the west side, 193d-st., 194th-st., 195th-st., and the road leading to the New Washington Depot. This property is very desirably located, is so near the Depot, the horse cars, and a beautiful drive, that it is the most desirable and most centrally located on the Heights for first-class improvement, that this property is now ready for immediate improvement, the time for the widening of Broadway having been established.

Also, the adjoining 30 lots of land situate on St. Nicholas-av., 193d-st., and 8th-av. St. Nicholas-av. is widened and defined to the centre line of 155th-st., 100 feet in the west side.

A. J. Bleecker, Jr., Auctioneer.

BY JERE. JOHNSON, JR.,

Successor to Johnson & Miller.

Office, No. 7 Pine-st.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, AT 12 O'CLOCK, AT Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE OF MOST VALUABLE PROPERTY in the NINETEENTH WARD, BROOKLYN, By order of Frederick Scholes, Esq.

WHARF PROPERTY,

situated on

KENT-AV. BASIN, between

BERRY AND EGBERT STS.,

DOCK MARKET GROUNDS.

Each parcel contains about ten city lots. The docks are the best in the city. There is now 11 feet at 6 tides. The location is the best in the vicinity of New-York for lumber, brick and hay dealers, iron-founders, distillers, manufacturers, carriage makers or gas companies. The forms are 100 feet in depth. Edges are not ready.

Also, by order of the same owner, at 3 P. M. on

ROCKAWAY-STREET.—N. w. s., 100 feet, n. e. of Bedford-av., three splendid lots.

HOOPER-STREET.—N. w. s., 100 feet n. w. of Marcy-av., eleven choice lots, near the site recently purchased for new Central Congregational Church. This is the highest ground in the ward.

MAGNIFICENT BEDFORD-AV. LOTS.

Crème de la Crème of the avenue.

BEDFORD-AVENUE.—Eleven lots, S. e. corner, running north west along avenue, seven lots.

Can't fail to examine above lots. They are directly opposite the splendid residence of Cornelius Johnson.

HOOPER-ST.—S. e. s., 97 ft. n. e. of Bedford-av., 1 lot.

HEWES-ST.—N. w. s., 97 ft. n. e. of Bedford-av., 2 lots.

HOOPER-ST.—S. e. s., 297 ft. n. e. of Bedford-av., 1 lot.

ROSS-ST.—S. e. s., 201 ft. n. w. of Bedford-av., 2 lots.

ROSS-ST.—S. e. s., 100 ft. n. w. of Bedford-av., 2 lots.

BUTLER-ST.—N. w. s., 84 ft. s. w. of Lee-av., 2 lots.

MARCY-AV. AND PENN-ST.—N. w. corner, opposite St. Paul's Church, 4 lots.

LEACH-ST.—S. e. s., 100 ft. s. w. of Harrison-av., 4 lots.

MIDDLETON-ST.—N. w. s., 100 ft. s. w. of Harrison-av., 4 lots.

WILLIAMSBURGH AND MARCY-AV.—N. e. corner, 2 lots.

Maps of all above property are now ready at office of

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(Successor to Johnson & Miller.)

Office, No. 7 Pine-st., New-York.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12,

at 12 o'clock, at Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York,

SPLENDID PROPERTY ON THEODORUS BERGEN'S ESTATE,

situated on 4th-av., between 55th and 56th sts., in the City of Brooklyn. Particulars hereafter.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14,

at 12 P. M., at the Exchange, Whitney, Sanswick Terrace, Astoria, Long Island, THE SPLENDID PROPERTY OF

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and every following WEDNESDAY at SATURDAY
FROM BOSTON.
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PARTHIA.....Saturday, Mar. 23, 7 A. M.
BATAVIA.....Saturday, Mar. 30, 7 A. M.
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Cabin, $80, $100 and $120, gold, according to accommodation.
Tickets to Paris, $10, gold, additional.
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From the White Star Dock, Pavonia Ferry, Jersey City. Passenger accommodations (for all classes) unrivaled, combining
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FOR LONDON DIRECT.
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PRICE OF PASSAGE (IN GOLD EXCLUDING WINE) TO BREST OR HAVRE.
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CRESCENT CITY, Capt. E. VAN SICE, March 14.
MISSOURI, Capt. W. H. MORTON, (via Nassau,) March 21.
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CITY OF MERIDA, Commander.....Saturday, Feb. 24
CITY OF MEXICO, Commander.....Saturday, March 2
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CITY OF MEXICO, Commander.....Saturday, Mar. 23
CLEOPATRA, Pelham, (Havana only,) Tues., April 2
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NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.
Travellers or gentlemen going to leave on the Continent of Europe, who can defer the act, could do a service to their home friends without cost. Their services are invaluable in attending the funeral ceremonies of those who, unknowing of their death, are anxiously looking for their return, and who are ignorant of their fate. Apply at the office of the COURIER DE DOUBLY, No. 5 Rue Vivienne, near the Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

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LEO, Capt. DEARBORN, TUESDAY, March 5, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
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PROPOSALS FOR $425,000 STOCKS AND BONDS OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—Sealed proposals will be received at the Comptroller's office, New County Court-house, City of New-York, until SATURDAY, March 2, 1872, at 12 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened for the whole or any part of the sum of $425,000 of Stock and Bonds of the City of New-York, to wit:
Book Bonds, authorized by chapter 374, section 3, laws of 1871, payable Nov. 1, 1901, $150,000.
Revenue Bonds, authorized by Stock, authorized by chapter 230, laws of 1870, payable Aug. 1, 1900, $175,000.
Said stock and Bonds will bear interest at the rate of Six per Cent. per annum, payable on the 1st day of May and November, in each year.
The proposals will state the amount of Stock and Bonds desired, and the price per $100 thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Controller the sums awarded to them respectively, together with any premiums thereon, which they will be entitled to receive on certificates of satisfactory deposits of the securities of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payment.
Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Stocks of the City of New-York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Controller.
No bids will be considered at less than par.
The right is reserved to the part of the Controller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.
ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller,
City of New-York, Department of Finance, Controller's Office, Feb 23, 1872.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, to elect officers for the ensuing year, and to transact such other business which may legally come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company, Sears Building, Boston, on WEDNESDAY, March 6, 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M.
Transfer-books will be closed after Saturday, the 24th inst.
THOMAS A. SCOTT, President.
E. H. ROLLINS, Secretary.
BOSTON, Feb. 2, 1872.

6, 7 AND 8 PER CENT. CITY BONDS.
6s of NEW-YORK CITY,
7s of JERSEY CITY,
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FOR SALE.
GEO. K. SISTARE,
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Issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS of the WORLD.

INDIANAPOLIS, CINCINNATI AND LAFAYETTE RAILROAD COMPANY.—NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.—A majority of the stockholders having signed the agreement of the 4th inst., for the reorganization of the Company, the undersigned, under the authority conferred upon them. They now give notice that the privilege of signing the agreement referred to for the reorganization of the Company and the provisions of said agreement, will be closed at 3 o'clock P. M. of Saturday, March 16, 1872, and will not be renewed.
Lists may be found and further information obtained at the office of either of the Trustees.
JOHN S. KENNEDY,
No. 41 Cedar-st., New-York.
JOSEPH S. FAY,
No. 12 Exchange-st., Boston.
JOSEPH C. BUTLER, Cincinnati, Ohio.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 29, 1872.

NEW-AMSTERDAM FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that in the unlawful appointment by the Supreme Court Referee of the certain funds and effects of the New-Amsterdam Fire Insurance Company of New-York, to be herein call a general meeting of the creditors of the said Company, at my office, No. 178 Broadway, New-York City, on the 4th day of March, 1872, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, whereat all creditors and claimants for loss under such Company, or, and all its open and subsisting contracts, will be ascertained and adjusted, so far as may be, and the amount of moneys in the hands of the Receiver declared.
BERNARD CASSIDY, Receiver.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY.
CLEVELAND, CINCINNATI, CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS RAILWAY.
CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS RAILWAY.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company for the choice of Directors, and for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company, in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, March 6, next, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.
The transfer-books will be closed from the evening of 20th inst. until March 7.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

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A certificate of loss wanted by WM. C. GILMAN, No. 64 Broad, corner William-st.

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We offer a limited amount of these bonds, which at present price we consider a safe and desirable investment, as THE ROAD IS IN SUCCESSFUL OPERATION, AND EARNING NET MORE THAN THE INTEREST ON ALL ITS BONDS. The business of the road is rapidly increasing; over 1,000 miles of new roads are now building connecting with, and controlled entirely in the interest of, this road, all of which will be completed as at early day. THESE NEW ROADS, IT IS EXPECTED, WILL ADD AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT. TO THE NET RECEIPTS OF THIS COMPANY.
We also buy and sell the First Mortgage 8 per cent Gold bonds of the
INDIANAPOLIS, BLOOMINGTON AND WESTERN ROAD,
And those of the
PEORIA AND ROCK ISLAND RAILWAY,
STOCKS and BONDS bought and sold on commission.
Accounts of banks, bankers and merchants received.
Four per cent. interest allowed on daily balances.
TURNER BROTHERS,
NO. 14 NASSAU-ST.

ALL TAXES PAID.

Road Finished and Earning Expenses
AND TWICE THE INTEREST.
FULL PAID STOCK.
Connecticut Valley Railroad
First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. Bonds.
Price, 95 and Interest.
RECOMMENDED BY
ALLEN, STEPHENS & CO.,
BANKERS, 12 PINE-ST., N. Y.
Send all letters to Post-office Box No. 3,087.

VERMILYE & CO.

BANKERS,
16 and 18 Nassau-st., New-York.
DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.
BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION
RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.
MARKS LIBERAL ADVANCES.
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

Montclair Railway Company,
NO. 25 NASSAU-ST.
The Coupons and registered interest due March 1, 1872, on the First Mortgage Bonds of this Company, will be paid at the office of Messrs. LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER, No. 10 Wall-st., on and after that date.
H. R. LOW, Treasurer.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the undersigned, the Mayor of the City of St. Louis, at his office, City Hall, until 12 o'clock noon, of the 20th day of March proximo, for the purchase of
FIVE HUNDRED ST. LOUIS CITY WATER BONDS,
issued by authority of an act "To authorize the City of St. Louis to issue and dispose of additional Water Bonds to the extent and purpose its Water-works," approved Feb. 2, 1872.
These bonds are for $1,000 each, to be dated April 1, 1872, having twenty years to run, with interest at the rate of Six per Cent. Payable semi-annually on the 1st day of April and October respectively, in gold coin of the United States, in the City of New-York, where the principal is also made payable in gold coin.
The net revenue derived from the Water-works is pledged by law for the payment of the said interest, both principal and interest, in the same manner as the bonds issued prior thereto under the act approved March 15, 1867, and March 25, 1870.
Bids will be received for any number of the bonds in sums of $5,000 and upward; and the proposals will be publicly opened in the office of the Mayor, on the day and time named.
The Mayor reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if in his opinion the bids received be not satisfactory.
Proposals must be indorsed "Proposals for St. Louis Water Bonds," and addressed to the Mayor.
The law authorizing the issue of the bonds, may be seen upon application at the Mayor's office, or at the National Banks, or the currency in the United States.
The bonds will be delivered in the City of St. Louis to the purchaser, whose bids are accepted, upon the 1st day of April, 1872, or be ready for delivery on Five per Cent. of the bid to be paid in money or certified bank check, will be required to accompany each bid, to insure compliance with the same.
JOSEPH PRIMM, Mayor.
Attest: JNO. J. FITZWILLIAM, Registrar.
ST. LOUIS, Feb. 19, 1872.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the Locomotive Engine Safety Truck Company will be held at their office, No. 2 Cortlandt-st., New-York, on TUESDAY, March 12, at 12 o'clock noon, for the choice of Directors and other business.
HILLER P. MOORE, Secy.

NEW-YORK, FEB. 14, 1872.
WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for any debts contracted by our clerk, Mr. Edward Lockwood, Jr., after this date.
LE GRAND LOCKWOOD,
WILLISTON E. LOCKWOOD,
THOMAS R. CAPEN,
JAMES S. WELLS.

FINANCIAL.

97 1-2 AND INTEREST.

NEW-JERSEY MIDLAND

FIRST MORTGAGE
7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds,
GUARANTEED
BY
N. Y. MIDLAND R. R. CO.
Road nearly completed. The Company assure us that TRAINS WILL BE RUNNING THE ENTIRE LENGTH of the New-Jersey section of the new Trunk Line to Canada and the West EARLY IN MARCH NEXT.
For sale or exchange for marketable securities by
GEO. OPDYKE & CO.,
GENERAL AGENTS, No. 56 Nassau-st.

MIDLAND BONDS.

The NEW-YORK MIDLAND CONVERTIBLE BONDS, secured by Mortgage at 80 and interest, are one of the most desirable and will prove one of the most profitable investments offered in this market for years.
ALLEN, STEPHENS & CO.,
BANKERS, NO. 12 PINE-ST.

PROPOSALS FOR BONDS.
Holders of bonds of the PORT HURON AND LAKE MICHIGAN RAILROAD COMPANY, bearing the traffic guarantee of the Great Western Railway Company of Canada, are hereby informed that the sum of $25,000 has been set apart from the 1st December, 1871, by the said Great Western Railway Company of Canada for the purchase of bonds at no more than par, for which proposals will be received by the undersigned, at Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, until the 20th day of March next.
JOSEPH PRICE, Treasurer, &c.,
Great Western Railway Company.
FEB. 19, 1872.

JOHN BENNOR & CO.,
BANKERS,
NO. 2 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,
ISSUE
CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT FOR TRAVELERS, ON THE CONSOLIDATED BANK, LONDON, AND ON MUNROE & CO., PARIS.
EXCHANGE ON LONDON AND PARIS.
OFFICE OF THE TOLEDO, PEORIA AND WARSAW RAILROAD COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 20, 1872.
NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.—THE transfer books of this Company will close at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, No. 50 Exchange-place, on 25th inst., and reopen on Monday, March 11, 1872.
For order
THOS. H. WILLIAMS, Assistant Secretary.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE STERLING FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 155 Broadway,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1872.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after the 19th inst.
J. E. VAN RENSSELAER,
Secretary.

CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD CO.,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, CHICAGO, Feb. 16, 1872.
NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.
Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company that a cash dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of Government tax, has been this day declared upon the Preferred and Common Stock of the Company, out of the earnings of the last six months, payable at the office of the Company's agents, Messrs. M. K. JESUP & CO., No. 32 Liberty-street, New-York, on the 6th day of March next, to the holders of record as shown at the close of business hours on the first day of February, inst., at which time the transfer books will be closed, and reopened for transfers on the 7th day of March next.
W. M. LARRABEE, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 19, 1872.
A Dividend of Twenty per Cent. will be paid to the depositors of the Ocean National Bank on and after the 20th inst.
H. R. HULBURD,
Comptroller of Currency.

OFFICE OF HARTFORD AND NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD COMPANY,
HARTFORD, Feb. 21, 1872.
NOTICE.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day ordered that the instalment of $50 per share on the scrip stock of this Company now remaining unpaid be and the same is hereby called for and required to be paid to the Treasurer, at his office, in Hartford, on the 1st day of July, 1872.
S. F. CONNER, Secretary.

THE COUPONS DUE MARCH 1, 1872, on the outstanding First Mortgage Bonds of the Montgomery and Eufaula Railroad Company will be cashed, (less Government tax) by the undersigned on presentation at their office on and after that date.
GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,
New-York, Feb. 24, 1872. No. 2 Nassau-st.

SAVINGS BANKS.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 96 WARREN-ST., NEW-YORK.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST allowed on all sums.
Interest compounded from 1st of January, April, July and October. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

CHARTERED BY THE UNITED STATES.
THE FREEDMAN'S SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY.
A NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK.
No. 174 Broadway, New-York.
Interest every thirty days if desired. Six Per Cent. Compound Interest Certificates issued, payable on demand. Accounts strictly private and confidential. Depositors can make their interest, if desired, paid by check to parties out of the City, if desired. SEND FOR CIRCULAR.
SAM. L. HARRIS, Manager.
JOHN J. EUBLER, Cashier.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,
No. 185 Chatham-square, and No. 62 New-Bowery, New-York.
NOTICE.—Interest on deposits made now will be dated from March 1.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK.
Nos. 396 and 398 Canal-st., corner Laight.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ON $5 to $5,000.
ASSETS, $10,512,396 16.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION.—THE COPARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the firm name of BRITTON, VAN VECHTEN & MARKHAM, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.
CHARLES F. BRITTON,
JOHN VAN VECHTEN,
FRANK MARKHAM.
NEW-YORK, March 1, 1872.
The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership under the firm name of BRITTON & VAN VECHTEN, and will continue the banking and brokerage business at No. 5 Nassau-st.
CHARLES F. BRITTON,
JOHN VAN VECHTEN.
NEW-YORK, March 1, 1872.
THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing under the name of JOHNSON & MILLER is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by the undersigned under the same firm name.
JEREMIAH JOHNSON, JR.,
WILLIAM H. MILLER.
NEW-YORK, March 1, 1872.
The undersigned will continue the business at the offices formerly occupied by the firm, where W. H. MILLER may, for the present, also be found.
JEREMIAH JOHNSON, JR.,
No. 2 Nassau-st., New-York.

THE FIRM HERETOFORE KNOWN as BRIEN, ADAMS & BRIEN, carrying on business at Stockbroker at No. 164 Blackstone-st., New-York, and No. 165 Atlantic-st., Brooklyn, is dissolved by mutual consent. The New-York business will be settled by and at No. 164 Blackstone-st., and the Brooklyn business by Mr. MARTIN J. BRIEN, at the old stands, to whom any claims or outstanding claims will be made.
TIMOTHY BRIEN,
WM. ADAMS, JR.,
MARTIN J. BRIEN.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 28, 1872.

No. 20 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, March 1, 1872.
THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THIS DAY formed a general banking business to succeed to HENRY TALMADGE.
We receive deposits, allowing interest thereon, execute orders for the purchase and sale of United States bonds and other securities, negotiate loans, and transact commercial and general business in all parts of the country.
HENRY TALMADGE & CO.
HENRY TALMADGE,
HENRY F. TALMADGE.

NEW-YORK, JAN. 2, 1872.
WE ARE MEMBERS OF THE DEALERS' SALES CLUB, and are prepared to execute orders for selling stocks, bonds, Government bonds, securities, &c., on commission.
A. & L. NEILSON.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

CHILDRENS' ESTABLISHMENT.—Horses, ponies, carts, harness, saddles, &c. Also, a very fine Shetland pony, 7 years old, 38 inches; well broke; pony cart, harness, saddle, &c., for sale. Also, a very fine Shetland mare, 5 yrs.

ALBANY.

Renewed Opposition of Street Railroads to the Rapid-Transit Scheme.

The New-York Charter Reached in the Senate Next Tuesday.

Constitutionality of the Court of Special Sessions in the Court of Appeals—Election Days to be Made Holidays—The Proposed Board of Commerce.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 29, 1872.

The entire morning session of the Assembly was spent on general orders in Committee of the Whole. The only bills that gave rise to much discussion were two, introduced by Mr. MEEKS, of Kings—one to abolish the "Supervisor at large" of Brooklyn, and the other to abolish the County Auditor of Kings County. It was claimed by the mover of the bill that both offices were unnecessary and were only created to give place to Democrats. With regard to the Auditor Mr. BERRY said his duties did not require a week's work during the year, and they were all performed by a clerk who received $1,800 per annum, while the Auditor received $5,000 for doing nothing. JACOBS, MOSBY, and other Democrats claimed that the only object of the bill was to legislate Democrats out of office, and that if the County Auditor, who was a Democrat, was to be thrown overboard, the newly elected City Auditor of Brooklyn, who is a Republican, ought to go with him. Both of these gentlemen forgot to tell the House that for the last two years they have helped pass bills to legislate every Republican whom they could reach out of office in Brooklyn and elsewhere, and that they both voted two years ago, for the infamous bill to oust Mr. SHAUMAN from the office of Commissioner of Jurors of Kings County, for no other reason than because he would not consent to pack juries in the interest of fraudulent voters and ballot-box stuffers. The bill to abolish the Auditor's Office was progressed; the other was ordered to a third reading.

QUICK TRANSIT.

The surface railroad men have lately arrived in strong force at Albany, and rumor credits them with the discreditable mission of trying to prevent the passage of any practicable scheme of quick transit through the present Legislature. It is well known that the horse railroad companies have always been opposed to everything that would relieve the people of New-York from the necessity of patronizing their dilapidated, overcrowded and filthy cars, and they have, doubtless, done their share in bribing past Legislatures to refrain from interfering with their monopolies. But they have not got the Tammany Ring to help them this year, and their thinly-disguised trick of trying to defeat all schemes of quick transit by a multiplicity of antagonistic and rival bills, is not likely to be successfully played. An executive session of the joint Railroad Committees of the two Houses is to be held this evening, when one or more of the bills now pending will be definitely acted upon.

THE SEVENTY'S CHARTER.

The Senate Committee on Cities has decided to set apart Tuesday evening next for a hearing on the charter, when all opponents of the measure will have an opportunity of presenting their objections. Many Republican members of the Legislature are in favor of accepting the issue made by the Democratic Assemblymen, under the lead of TOM FIELDS, and going before the people of New-York at the next Municipal election, with an admission that the charter is a Republican measure, and that the Republican Party in the Legislature has proved itself to be the only reform party. They are also ready to accept the issue involved in the ninety-second section of the charter, (prohibiting all sectarian appropriations,) which some of the Democrats availed themselves of as an excuse for voting against the charter. That issue has got to come, sooner or later, and Republicans are not afraid to try it now, and in the City of New-York. One of the leading members of the Committee of Seventy, who has always been a Democrat, and who has done more than any other man for the success of the charter thus far, told a fellow-Democrat yesterday, who was trying to induce him to go to with the newly-reorganized Democracy, under the lead of TOM FIELDS, under the promise of getting a "good thing" in the coming distribution of the spoils, that he had altogether mistaken his man. "The present Legislature," said he, "has done a more disgraceful thing than was ever done by any Legislature in this State. It has passed a non-partisan charter for New-York, which throws all power into the hands of the people, and gives them in fact, as well as in name, 'local self-government,' when it had the power to pass a partisan charter and take possession of every office in the City. For one I think that for it and will sustain them in it; and you will find that the people will sustain them too. Although the ninety-second section of the charter, as it now stands, was not in it when it left the Committee of Seventy, yet I can tell you that if the Democratic Party think they can win under so honest vote and a fair count, such as we intend to have in the next election, by making sectarian appropriations an issue in the canvass, it will find itself woefully mistaken. Had it not been for the Reform movement and the Committee of Seventy the opposition to the element which you calculate on to carry an election in favor of sectarian appropriations would have swept the City of New-York last November. It was only the interposition of the Anti-Ring whirlwind and the Committee of Seventy that prevented the feeling aroused by the riots of last July utterly swamping the Democratic Party of New-York City." It was evident that this well-educated Democrat "by whom the speech was delivered imbibed therefrom an idea or two that had not before entered his head.

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE NEW-YORK SPECIAL SESSIONS.

A novel and important question—that of the constitutionality of the Court of Special Sessions of the City of New-York—was argued in the Court of Appeals here today. It was an appeal taken by one HUNTER, convicted in the Special Sessions of petit larceny. Mr. WEHLE appeared for the appellant, and District-Attorney ALEXANDER S. SULLIVAN for the People. The impression is strong among the lawyers who listened to the argument that the decision will be adverse to the Court of Special Sessions, in which case there would be a general prison delivery on Blackwell's Island. To-morrow will be argued the case of LOCKUP EVANS, the shoemaker, convicted of an assault on ANN O'NEILL with intent to commit manslaughter in the second degree.

MAKING ELECTION DAYS HOLIDAYS.

The Assembly Judiciary Committee have decided to report a bill making all election days holidays. They will also report a bill placing private individuals and corporations on the same footing as banks with regard to usury, making the penalty for taking usurious interest double the amount of legal interest.

ROSSA AND TWEED.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections met this P. M. on the contested seat case of ROSSA against TWEED. J. H. REYNOLDS appeared for Mr. TWEED, and put in an answer to ROSSA's amended memorial, in which he claimed, even admitting all ROSSA stated was true, there was not enough to warrant the Committee in going on to take evidence. The Committee decided to take the answer into consideration, and thereupon adjourned.

EXPENSE OF POSTAGE.

The Senate Committee to investigate the expense of postage for the Legislature for the past ten years, held a short session this evening. Two witnesses were examined. The Postmaster here exhibited an order from THURLOW WEED, issued at the opening of the present session, for the worth of revenue stamps, in value from two cents to $1, which were to be charged as postage-stamps. Mr. WEEDON, a jeweler in this city, swore he was approached by COMMIAN, when Clerk of the Assembly, of a set of jewelry which he paid for with postage-stamps. The stamps were afterwards resold to the Post-office.

MORE INVESTIGATIONS IN NEW-YORK.

Mr. FRENCH, Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, had appointed the following subcommittees to make investigations in New-York City: In the District-Attorney's Office—Venner, Stephens and Hill. In the County Clerk's Office—Fullmer, Hayes and Tucker. In the Register's Office—Ellis, Young, and Tilden. These committees will hold their sittings next week.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF IMMIGRATION.

The Assembly Committee on Commerce and Navigation will give one more day to the hearing of the charges against the Commissioners of Immigration, and for that purpose will meet at Castle Garden, New-York, on Saturday morning next, when they invite all having any testimony to live to be present, and give it separately.

THE PROPOSED BOARD OF COMMERCE.

A bill identical in its provisions with the one introduced in the Assembly some weeks ago by Mr. TWOMBLY, to create a commercial district for the port of New-York, to be a Board of Commerce, Quarantine, and to define its powers and duties, was introduced in the Senate today by Mr. SPRAGUE. The bill was fully noticed at the time of its introduction to the Assembly. It will be remembered that it confers upon the proposed board, the powers of the present Commissioners of Docks, together with similar powers in respect of Brooklyn docks, the supervision of Quarantine, the powers of the Commissioners of Emigration, those of the Commissioners of Pilots, of the Harbor Masters, and the Port Wardens. S.

Evening Session of the Assembly—Mr. Stated on the Insurance Resolution—The Judiciary Committee and the Civil Justices.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, Feb. 29.—At the opening of the Assembly this evening, Mr. HUSTED attempted to resume his remarks on the resolution calling upon Superintendent MILLER to comply with a former resolution by reporting to the House the evidence taken on the examination of the Mutual Life Insurance Company. The Speaker ruled that he could not go into a discussion of the merits of the original resolution, as that had already been disposed of by the House, and therefore HUSTED was obliged to defer his defense of the Mutual Life till another occasion. He said, however, if the object was simply to get hold of the evidence for the use of the Standing Committee on Insurance in their investigation of MILLER's Department, he had no objection to it; but he claimed this evidence, relating, as it does, to the private affairs of Mutual Life, had no right to be printed and spread before the world for the benefit of rival companies. The evening session was confined to general orders, and among bills ordered to a third reading was Mr. BERRY's, abolishing the office of Auditor of Kings County. The Judiciary Committee of the Assembly will meet at the Fifth-avenue Hotel at 8 P. M. Monday, for the purpose of hearing the friends or opponents of Mr. FOLEY's bill to reorganize the Civil Justices' Courts of New-York. The same Committee will meet at 4 P. M., at the same hotel, on the 12th of March to hear the same parties on FOLEY's other bill to reorganize the Police Courts of the City. The Joint Railroad Committee met this afternoon and heard Mr. RAMSON on behalf of the corporators of the Manhattan Railroad Company as to their right to be represented in the combination which has been formed for a Broadway underground charter. S.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.....ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 29.

A large number of petitions were presented in favor of continuing the present management of the Erie Railway. To exempt the property of wives of ministers from taxation.

REPORTS.

Bills were reported for the relief of religious societies in Kings County, and other religious bills were also reported.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bills were introduced to elevate the standard of medical education. It requires the Regents of the University to appoint a board to examine all candidates for medical diplomas, five members of which must vote in his favor; to create a commercial district for New-York and a board of commerce therein, and define its powers and duties; to amend the Revised Statutes relating to divorces. It makes as additional causes such conduct on the part of the husband toward the wife as shall without just cause deprive her of the society of her relatives or friends, or of attendance upon public worship, or shall deliberately render her life unhappy or uncomfortable.

PASSED.

The bills passed were to improve Banker-street and Union-avenue, Brooklyn; to amend the General Railroad act; in relation to petit jurors in Westchester County. The Senate soon after adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

Mr. TWOMBLY introduced a bill to incorporate the Palmer Elevated Railway Company.

It fixes the capital stock at $1,000,000 with power to increase the same from time to time to $10,000,000; no more than one road be built. It applies the provisions of the General Railroad act to the Company. One road is to start from the junction of Hudson-street with Chambers-street, thence to the Battery, Battery Place, and run along Hudson-street to Ninth-avenue, and thence to the Harlem River. The other road starts at or near Chatham-square, runs through the Bowery to Third-avenue and thence to the Harlem River. The roads may have two or four tracks. The construction of the roads shall be commenced within four months, and completed within one year and six months. Fifteen cents is the fare allowed to be charged for the entire length of the road, and ten cents for intermediate distances. Five per cent of the net income of said railways shall be annually paid into the Treasury of the City of New-York.

GENERAL ORDERS.

The House in Committee of the Whole ordered many bills to a third reading.

To abolish offices to be voted for to provide for the election of the Supervisor at large for Kings County, and requiring a three-fourths' vote in the Board of Supervisors to appropriate moneys. Mr. MOSBY moved to strike out the first section, saying that the bill was entirely useless. Mr. BIGGS defended the bill, and Mr. MORGAN also spoke in favor of it. Mr. JACOBS said the object of this bill was simply to legislate a Democrat who had just been elected to this office out of office. Kings County was a strong Democratic County, and if this sort of legislation was fair to the people of that county he had no objections to its being put in practice. Some remarks followed, when the question was taken, when Mr. JACOBS moved to amend by having the bill take effect at the expiration of the term of office of the present incumbent. Lost. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

THE GRAVEL CHARGES.

Mr. ALVORD had consent to submit a report from the Committee of Ways and Means on charges against Hon. JAMES W. HUSTED, in connection with furnishing gravel to be used in Central Park. The report concludes by saying that:

"HUSTED stands entirely acquitted of any fraudulent transactions in connection with the money paid to the City of New-York or Department of Parks, and that his action as a member of the Legislature was not, in any manner, controlled or affected by any corrupt or other bargain therewith."

The report was ordered to be printed.

BILLS.

Mr. COLES had consent to introduce a bill requiring a vote of two-thirds in Boards of Supervisors throughout the State to appropriate moneys. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee. The House, in Committee of the Whole, took up the bill to repeal the act providing for the election of Auditor for Kings County. Debate sprung up in which the Republicans took the ground that these offices were created merely for political purposes, and that they were entirely unnecessary. The Democrats, on the other hand, insisted that the proposition to abolish the offices was based on the desire simply to legislate Democrats out of office. Without disposing of the question the Committee rose and reported progress.

INSURANCE SUPERINTENDENT.

Mr. LIFFITT, as a question of privilege, offered a resolution:

Calling upon the Superintendent of the Insurance Department to report forthwith whether the testimony taken by him in the case of the New-York Life Insurance Company is filed in his office, or that he be held in contempt of the House, as he had failed to comply with a former answer in reply to a former resolution of the House.

Mr. JACOBS doubting whether this was a question of privilege, moved to refer it to the Committee on Judiciary. Lost. Mr. HUSTED rose to discuss the propriety of the adoption of such a resolution as this, claiming that the original resolutions adopted by the House have been adopted but the way to a motion to take a recess till 7½ P. M.

On recommitting the evening session was confined to general orders.

Theta Delta Chi—The Annual Dinner.

The secret college society of Theta Delta Chi, held a convention and had a dinner last evening at Delmonico's, under the auspices of "The Charge." H. DOUGLAS CONNELL, of Buffalo, was elected Chairman for the ensuing year, and A. Pike Stevens and Mr. GEORGE MEMBERS of the Grand Lodge. The orator was Prof. McCANDLISH, of William and Mary College, and the poet LEWIS HALSEY, of Hobart College. Among the guests present were JOHN BROGHAM and Gen. WM. S. HILYER.

The Weldon Homicide.

THOMAS FOLEY, who killed JOHN DELANEY, near the Weldon Cross-roads, on Sunday morning, has been arrested, near Sparta, and will be taken to the Morris County Jail, at Morristown. FOLEY claims that he did not kill DELANEY, and that the wounds were inflicted by his brother RICHARD. In any event, he believes the killing justified in self-defense, or in defense of his brother, and decided to give himself up for trial, and was this intention he placed himself in the hands of the constable who arrested him.

FORTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE.....WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 29.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill to exempt from internal tax cement, tiles, tobacco, preserves, canned fruit, &c., passed. Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported adversely the bill to permit the testimony in criminal cases to testify in their own defense, and moved its indefinite postponement. The bill was placed on the calendar. Mr. SAWYER, from the Committee on Education and Labor, reported adversely on the memorial for the establishment of an educational test for suffrage. Mr. CHANDLER rose to a personal explanation, and read a letter from a gentleman in Jackson, Mich., stating that somebody had sent him certain "Reform movements" and "Liberal Republican" documents, and his (Chandler's) name had been signed to Senator MORTON. The writer expressed his astonishment that these two distinguished Senators should circulate such publications, and asked Mr. CHANDLER to send him no more documents unless they had the true ring. Mr. CHANDLER said that his frank on these documents was a forgery, but as the whole Liberal Republican movement was a fraud, he was not surprised that those who were engaged in it resorted to forgery. Mr. MORTON also stated that the use of his frank on these documents, or on any such, was a fraud and a forgery. Mr. TIPTON rose to a personal explanation and said he had been almost as unfortunate as Mr. CHANDLER. He had sent one of that Senator's speeches to a constituent, and had had it indignantly returned, with a request that if he indorsed such sentiments, he would never send his frank to that constituent again. [Laughter.] Mr. CAMERON called up the bill to admit six Japanese youths to West Point Academy. Mr. CASSIDY opposed it, but it passed.

ARMS AND FRENCH AGENTS.

At the expiration of the morning hour the Senate resumed the consideration of Mr. SUMNER's resolution. Mr. CARPENTER said that when a suit was brought in a Court of law the first thing done was to test the sufficiency of the complaint, conceding the facts to be as claimed by the plaintiff. If that rule had been followed in this case, the preamble and resolution could easily have been disposed of; but if the friends of the Administration had taken that course, the charge would have been heralded all over the country that they were trying to avoid investigation. The time had now come, however, when the question of law might safely be raised. But first he would speak of the origin of this preamble and resolution. Politics was a strange thing. 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